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1972A

"Spring 1911"

RUSSIANS SING "SKYE BOAT SONG"

ENGLAND (Lipson): F Lon-Eng; F Liv S GERMAN A Edi-Cly!

FRANCE (Reif): F Por S F Spa(s.c.); F Spa(s.c.) S F Por!

GERMANY (Huddleston): F Nwy S A St.P; A St.P & A Pru S AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN
 A War-Liv; A Ber-Sil; A Gal-Ukr; A Edi-Cly; F Nrg-Nat; F Nth-Nrg;
 A Gas-Mar; A Mun-Bur; A Boh S AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN A Vie; A Tyr S
 AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN A Ven-Tri!

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Honig): A Ven-Tri; A Pie-Ven; A War-Liv; A Vie S A
 Ven-Tri.

RUSSIA (De Prisco): F Cly-Nat; A Tri S TURKISH A Bud; A Mos-Sev; A Liv-
 Mos; A Ukr S A Liv-Mos.

TURKEY (Murray): F Tun-Wes; F Nap-Tyr; F Amy-Acg; A Ank-Con; A Bud, A
 Alb, & F Adr S RUSSIAN A Tri; A Rum S A Bud; F Rom holds!

Underlined moves are not possible. The Russian F Cly is annihilated. The deadline for "Fall 1911" moves is NOON, SATURDAY 2 JUNE 1973! The offer for a draw was not accepted by all players; anyone may renew this offer at any time if he wishes.

LATE BULLETINS

In the new Origins game 73!6x, a last-minute change of moves came in. John Hendry, playing Russia, has ordered not "Rhi 6" as is printed on p. 5, but "Aus 6"! The Russian and German players should contact the Gamesmaster immediately with regard to their intentions, so we can determine whether there will be a German attack, a shared control, or no action at all! If these letters come in quickly enough, all players will be informed, and the "Spring 1936" deadline will be set at 2 June!

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Bob Lipton's new address, mentioned in the Directory in this issue, will become effective on 20 May!

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Sometime in July, there will be an over-the-board gaming session here! See the next issue of GRAUSTARK for details!

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The Gamesmaster would like to acknowledge the assistance of Ira Donewitz, Mike Hanson, Gilbert Neiger, Alex Katzoff, Ben Miller, Raymond Heuer, and Mike Honig in collating and mailing this 10th anniversary issue of GRAUSTARK. It is a little staggering to look back on the history of this enterprise, and to consider that it all began from a few issues of a flier cranked out in a flat in Washington Heights, desperately trying to scrape together enough people to fill a board of postal Diplomacy! (The same mimeograph machine, mirabile dictu, is still going strong on this issue! It is a virtually indestructible Gesteiner 120.) The first game, 1963A, got going a month later with only 5 players, and was won by Derek Nelson, the only one of the five still active even minimally in postal Diplomacy fandom! (He played Italy; in those days the 5-man game left out Russia and Turkey.)

1971EB

"Fall 1912"

ENGLISH VICTORIOUS!!

ENGLAND (Birsan): A Bre-Par; A Bel-Ruh; F Mar-Pie; F Spa(s.c.)-Por; F Eng-Mid; A Ber-Sil; A Bur & A Kie S A Mun; A Mun S A Ber-Sil; F Liv S F Pru; F Pru S F Liv; F Bal S F Pru ((sic; no such unit exists)); A St.P-Mos; F Nth-Nwy; F Wes S F Tun; F Tun S FRENCH F Nap-Ion; F Bot not ordered, holds.

FRANCE (T. Holcombe): A Ven holds; A Tus & A Rom S A Ven; F Apu S ENGLISH F Tun-Ion; F Nap S F Apu.

ITALY (Brooks): No moves received. F Aeg & F Adr hold.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Drakert): A Mos-St.P; A War-Pru; A Sil S A Boh; A Gal S A Sil; A Boh & A Tri S A Tyr; A Tyr & F Alb S A Tri; A Bul-Con; F Ion-Gre.

Underlined moves are not possible. The High Combatant Powers now control the following supply centers:

ENGLAND: Bel, Ber, Bre, Den, Edi, FRANCE: Nap, Rom, Ven. (3)

Hol, Kie, Liv, Lon, Mar, Mun, ITALY: Ank, Smy. (2)

Nwy, Par, Por, St.P, Spa, Swe, AUSTRIA-HUNGARY: Bud, Bul, Con, Gre, Mos, Rum, Ser, Sev, Tri, Vie, War. (11)

Tun. (18)

Since Edi Birsan, playing England, now has a majority of all the supply centers on the board, he is accordingly the winner. Analysis of the game by him and by Ted Holcombe appear on pp. 61-62, and press releases on p. 62. Present and former players in this game should see the mailing list on p. 49 for information about when their subscriptions end.

1971EC

"Fall 1912"

LAST EASTERN STRONGHOLDS MENACED

Following "Spring 1912" moves, Germany retreated A Arm-Syr. All players were informed.

ENGLAND (Lipton): F Alb S F Gre; F Gre S GERMAN A Ser-Bul; F Smy S F Aeg-Con; F Aeg-Con; A Rom-Tus; A Pie-Tus; F Apu-Ion; A St.P S A Mos; A Mos, A Wal & A Swe hold; F Nth S F Eng; F Eng S F Nth; F Tyr-Ion.

GERMANY (Berman): F Den & A Ven hold; A Kie S F Den; A Hol S A Bel; A Bel S A Hol; A Tyr & A Tri S A Ven; A Vie S A Tri; A Sil-War; A Rum-Sev; A Gal-Rum; A Bud S A Gal-Rum; A Syr S ENGLISH F Smy; A Ser-Bul.

ITALY (Leeder): A Bul S A Con; A Con S A Bul.

RUSSIA (Barents): A Arm-Sev; A Ank S ITALIAN A Con.

Underlined moves are not possible. The Italian A Bul is annihilated. The German A Kie was incorrectly labeled as "F Kie" in the last issue. The High Combatant Powers now control the following supply centers:

ENGLAND: Bre, Edi, Gre, Liv, Lon, GERMANY: Bel, Ber, Bud, Bul, Den, Mar, Mos, Nap, Nwy, Por, Rom, Hol, Kie, Mun, Par, Rum, Ser, Sev, St.P, Spa, Smy, Swe, Tun. (16) Tri, Ven, Vie, War. (16)

ITALY: Con. (1)

RUSSIA: Ank. (1)

England and Germany may each build 2 units, and Russia must remove one. These builds and removals should be sent in by IMMEDIATE RETURN MAIL, and the Gamesmaster will inform all players. The deadline for "Spring 1913" moves is NOON, SATURDAY 2 JUNE 1973. As this game is near its end, players should see the mailing list on p. 49 for information about their subscriptions. Press releases begin on p. 38, except for the following late bulletins from Anatolia:

BYZANTIUM: Cower, cower.

THRACIA: Cringe, cringe.

MOOSE FACTORY: Kinney, Lipschitz and Boringman ought to check out 1971 DP in Saguenay, where the time lines are coalescing all over the place! (Chiefly with 1972EM in Arrakis, and Moeshoeshoe.)

1971BG

"Fall 1908"

COMMUNICATIONS STIFLE MARSEILLES AND VIENNA

A Typo in the "Spring 1908" moves incorrectly indicated Germany ordered "A Mar S ENGLISH A Gas-Spa" instead of "...A Bre-Gas".

ENGLAND (Lipson): F Mid-Spa(s.c.); A Gas S F Mid-Spa(s.c.); F Nat-Mid; F Eng S F Nat-Mid; F Tun-Wes; F Naf S F Tun-Wes.

FRANCE (Latin): A Spa holds; F Por S A Spa.

GERMANY (Schleicher): F Den & A Ber hold; A Mun-Tyr; A Boh S A Mun-Tyr; A Bur-Mun; A Mar S ENGLISH A Gas-Spa; A Vie S RUSSIAN A Bud.

ITALY (Burley): F Ion-Tun; F Tyr S F Ion-Tun; A Ser-Bud; A Ven-Tyr; A Tri S A Ven-Tyr.

RUSSIA (A. Phillips): A Mos & F Swe hold; A Bud-Rum; F Sev & A Ukr S A Bud-Rum; A Rum-Ser.

TURKEY (Nierenberg): F Wes-Naf; A Bul-Rum; F Bla S A Bul-Rum; A Ank-Arm; F Con-Ank.

Underlined moves are not possible. The Gamesmaster retreats Turkey's F Wes-Lyo. Turkey may exercise the option of removing F Lyo and building a new unit. The High Combatant Powers now control the following supply centers:

ENGLAND: Bel, Bre, Edi, Liv, Lon, Nwy. (6) ITALY: Nap, Rom, Ser, Tri, Tun, Ven. (6)

FRANCE: Por, Spa. (2)

RUSSIA: Bud, Mos, Rum, St.P, Sev,

GERMANY: Ber, Den, Hol, Kie, Mar,

Swe, War. (7)

Mun, Par, Vie. (8)

TURKEY: Ank, Bul, Con, Gre, Smy. (5)

Germany, Italy, and Russia may each build 1 new unit. These adjustments must be submitted within 24 hours. Deadline for "Spring 1909" moves is 6 PM, TUESDAY 19 JUNE 1973.

1973BQ

"Spring 1901"

RUSSIA EMBATTLED ON SOUTHERN FRONTIERS

This is the game previously called by the tentative designation "G-III". This game number, assigned by Conrad von Metzke, will henceforth be used.

ENGLAND (Arensmeyer): F Lon-Nth; F Edi-Nrg; A Liv-Edi.

FRANCE (Stuart): F Bre-Mid; A Par-Pic; A Mar-Spa.

GERMANY (Burce): F Kie-Den; A Ber-Kie; A Mun-Ruh.

ITALY (Sidor): A Ven-Pic; F Rom-Nap; F Nap-Ion.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (McGuistion): A Vie-Gal; A Bud-Ser; F Tri-Alb.

RUSSIA (Greenlee): F St.P(s.c.)-Bot; A War-Gal; A Mos-Ukr; F Sev-Bla.

TURKEY (De Prisco): A Con-Bul; F Ank-Bla; A Smy-Arm.

Underlined moves are not possible. Rick Stuart's new address, until further notice, is 6760 Michael Dr., Cincinnati, Ohio 45243. The deadline for "Fall 1901" moves is NOON, SATURDAY 2 JUNE 1973. A press release appears on p. 37.

1973BS

TRAFFIC JAM IN BLACK SEA

"Spring 1901"

This is the game previously called by the tentative designation "G-IV". Conrad von Metzke has assigned it the number "1973BS", complete with the usual connotations of those initials. He informs the Gamesmaster that, sandwiched between 1973BQ and 1973BS on his list, is a game 1973BR that has been opened in, of all places, David Staples' smudgy, illiterate, and bloodthirsty Stuttgart Sentinel.

ENGLAND (Spencer): F Lon-Nth; F Edi-Nrg; A Liv-Edi.

FRANCE (Ianham): F Bre-Mid; A Par-Pic; A Mar-Spa.

GERMANY (G. Tesser): F Kie-Den; A Ber-Kie; A Mun-Ruh.

ITALY (Murray): A Ven-Tyr; F Rom-Apu; F Nap-Ion.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Iariton): A Vie-Gal; A Bud-Ser; F Tri-Alb.

RUSSIA (Trtek): F St.P(s.c.)-Bet; A War-Gal; A Mos-Ukr; F Sev-Bla.

TURKEY (McGowin): A Con-Bul; F Ank-Bla; A Smy-...

Underlined moves are not possible. Mark Murray has a new address; see the mailing list on p. 49 under "01610" and "02888" for details. Michael Iariton's phone number is 716-381-6613. The deadline for "Fall 1901" moves is NOON, SATURDAY 2 JUNE 1973.

It is interesting to note that the same moves were submitted for 5 of the 7 countries in 1973BQ and 1973BS, and that in all 31 of the 34 initial moves were the same in both games.

73.3a

"Spring 1936"

BRITAIN AND FRANCE QUESTION
GOALS OF GERMAN "CRUSADE"

USA (Trtek): USA 4.

FRANCE (Lipton): Ger 5, Rum 5.

BRITAIN (Ritter): Ger 6, Pol 4.

RUSSIA (Spencer): Rum 5, Rus 3.

GERMANY (Neiger): Aus 5, Rhi 5, Rum 6.

The deadline for "Fall 1936" moves is NOON, SATURDAY 2 JUNE 1973. Press releases begin on p. 35.

Bob Lipton resumes his summer address soon. See the mailing list on p. 49 under "11598" his address, and p. 2 for the date it becomes effective.

	USA	Fra	Bri	Rus	Ger
Als					
Aus					5
Bal					C
Bri					
Cze					
Fra					
Ger		5	6		
Ita					
Pol			U,9	6	
Rhi					5
Rum		5		5	6
Rus				3	
USA	6				

73.6x

"Spring 1935"

COMPLICATIONS ATTEND EXPERIMENTAL GAME

There were a couple of misprints on the "National Objective Chart" printed on p. 1 of GRAUSTARK #288. Britain has no goals of any kind in Italy, while Germany has the goal "U2" there. Furthermore, the address of the German player was incorrectly written in his first letter, and the error was compounded by the Gamesmaster several times in print. It

USA (Stuart): Bri 2.

FRANCE (Drakert): Fra 4.

BRITAIN (Trtek): Rhi 8.

RUSSIA (Hendry): Rhi 6.

GERMANY (Kelly): Aus 12.

is actually "Ronald M. Kelly, #210, 225 Virginia Ave. SE, Washington, D. C. 20003". See "1973BQ" on p. 4 for Rick Stuart's new address. The deadline for "Fall 1935" moves is NOON, SATURDAY 2 JUNE 1973. Don't forget to name a stock with any attacks you may make.

72.26c

"Fall 1940"

FRENCH ATTACKS STYMIED; BRITISH WIN

BALTIC STATES: USA (19) attacks Russia (9) at 2:1. IBM - 337, no change. Als C

CZECHOSLOVAKIA: USA (20) attacks Russia (12) at 1:1. United Air Lines - 127, no change. Aus Bal 28 Bri U,7 Cze 20 U,9 U,9 U,12 U,5 U,12 Fra 40 Ger 27 Ita U,7 U,5 Pol C Rhi C Rum C Rus U,7 U,10 USA U,7 U,10

BALTIC STATES: France (47) attacks USA at 2:1. Xerox - 296, (X). Each side removes 19.

GERMANY: France (40) attacks Germany (27) and Britain (5) at 1:1, IBM - 337, no change.

FRANCE: Russia (12) attacks Britain (5) at 2:1. IBM - 337, no change.

GERMANY: Germany (27) attacks Britain (5) at 5:1, IBM - 337 (D). Britain removes 5.

ITALY: Germany (7) attacks Britain (5) at 1:1. ITT - 1157, no change.

BRITAIN: Fra U, Ita U.

RUSSIA: Bri U, Cze U, Fra U.

GERMANY: Bri U, Ita U, Rus U.

	1935	1936	1937	1938	1939	1940
USA	21	17	15	8	12	10
France	0	4	7	13	13	13
Britain	3	9	14	19	10	19
Russia	0	3	9	7	7	14
Germany	9	11	11	14	14	18

The final score is Britain 19, Germany 18, Russia 14, France 13, USA 10. Oddly enough, though France and Russia agreed to sharing control in the Baltic States, Germany did not. Had Germany so agreed, the final score would have been Germany 20, Britain 19, Russia 19, France 14, USA 6.

Players were: USA: Dick Trtek; FRANCE: John Hendry; BRITAIN: Herb Barents; RUSSIA: Andrew Weill; GERMANY: Bill Drakert.

73.2b

"Fall 1937"

GERMANY ANNEXES AUSTRIA - THIS TIME

BULGARIA: France attacks Germany, 4:1.

CRABS - Square root of minus one, no change.

AUSTRIA: Russia (6) attacks Britain (6) at 2:1. Boeing - 72 (X). Each side removes 6.

RUSSIA: Russia (13) attacks Britain (5) at 2:1. Boeing - 72 (X). Each side removes 5.

AUSTRIA: Germany (16) attacks USA (4) and France (2) at 2:1. Boeing - 72 (X). Germany removes 6, USA removes 4, and France removes 2.

BRITAIN: Germany (19) attacks USA (5) at 3:1, TWA - 627 (X). Each side removes 5.

FRANCE: Pol U, Rus U. The score at present is Germany 13, France 10, GERMANY: Aus C, Bri U. Britain 8, Russia 5, USA 2.

During "Spring 1937", Russia had 5 rather than 2 units placed in it by Britain. This was taken into account in the "Fall 1937" attack orders.

The GRAUSTARK house rules require that different stocks be used for different attacks by the same player in the same turn. However, this rule was not announced to players since 73.2b began, so its omission will be overlooked this time. Please be more careful in the future! An interminable number of press releases begin on p. 34. The deadline for "Spring 1938" moves is NOON, SATURDAY 2 JUNE 1973.

BRITISH SCORE DECISIVE VICTORY

CZECHOSLOVAKIA: USA (10) attacks France (5) at 2:1. Ford - 840, no change. USA Fra Bri Rus Ger
 (5) at 2:1. Ford - 840, no change. Als C
 FRANCE: USA (10) attacks Russia (5) at 2:1. GM - 845 (X). Each side removes 5. Aus U,5 U,6 U,5 1
 5. Bri C
 FRANCE: Britain attacks Russia. (Russian PFs already eliminated.) Cze U,5 U,5 U,5 U,18
 POLAND: Britain (35) attacks France (5) at 5:1. Zenith - 112 (D). France removes 5. Fra U,20 U,26
 RUSSIA: Britain (14) attacks France (5) at 2:1. Zurnland - 125 (X). Each side removes 5. Ger U,12 U,16 U,6
 ITALY: Britain (6) attacks France (5) at 1:1. Xtra Inc. - 18 (A). Britain removes 6. Ita U,5 U,35 3 C
 CZECHOSLOVAKIA: Russia (5) attacks Britain (5) at 1:1. USA 0 0 5 2 3 9
 Admiral - 56, no change. France 0 8 10 7 7 9
 RUSSIA: Russia attacks Britain 2 2 5 5 7 17
 France. (French PFs already eliminated.) Russia 0 6 3 9 11 9
 Germany 0 8 8 8 8 12
 BRITAIN: Germany (36) attacks USA (10) and France (8) at 2:1. US Shoe - 13 (X). Germany removes 18.
 USA removes 10, and France removes 8.
 FRANCE: Germany (36) attacks USA (10) at 3:1. Xerox - 296 (X). Each side removes 10.
 RUSSIA: Germany attacks France. (French PFs already eliminated.)
 USA: Ger U; Rus U. RUSSIA: Loses Fra U.
 FRANCE: Ita U. GERMANY: Fra U, Ita U. Rus U.
 BRITAIN: Cze U, Fra U, Rus U, USA U.
 FINAL SCORE: Britain 17, Germany 12, USA 9, France 9, Russia 9.

The players in this game were: USA: Larry Fong (dropped after "1936" and replaced by Andrew Weill); FRANCE: Don Sobwiek; BRITAIN: Tim Carleton; RUSSIA: Rick Stuart; GERMANY: Diek Trtek.

Of this game, Trtek wrote: "I got off to a slow start, which always spells trouble for Germany. After I seized the Rhineland and Rumania, everybody else kept shoveling PFs into the homeland, so I sat back and gathered my own strength. I hoped to find myself in 'Spring 1940' with oodles of PFs and no 'U's' in Germany. But it didn't work. The 3:1 attack on Russia in '1939' that fizzled was very frustrating."

FRENCH GRAB LONDON

ENGLAND (Eisen): F Nrg-Nwy; F Nth-Den; A Edi-Yor.
 FRANCE (Strauss): A Spa-Por; A Gas-Spa; F Eng-Lon.
 GERMANY (Parolla): A Ruh-Bel; F Hol S A Ruh-Bel; A Kie-Mun.
 ITALY (Heuer): A Tyr-Vie; A Apu-Tun; F Ion C A Apu-Tun.
 AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Neiger): F Alb-Gre; A Ser-Gre; A Bud-Vie.
 RUSSIA (Honig): F Bot-Swe; A Ukr-Rum; F Bla S A Ukr-Rum; A Gal-Bud.
 TURKEY (Paulson): F Con-Aeg; A Smy-Con; A Bul S RUSSIAN A Ukr-Rum.

Underlined moves are not possible. The High Combatant Powers now control the following supply centers:

ENGLAND: Den, Edi, Liv, Nwy. (4)

FRANCE: Bre, Lon, Mar, Par, Por, Spa. (6)

GERMANY: Bel, Ber, Hol, Kie, Mun. (5)

ITALY: Nap, Rom, Tun, Ven. (4)

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY: Bud, Ser, Tri, Vie. (4)

RUSSIA: Mos, Rum, St.P, Sev, Swe, War. (6)

TURKEY: Ank, Bul, Con, Smy. (4)

France may build three new units, Germany and Russia may each build two, and each of the other players may build one each. Since all players live in New York City, they should phone these builds to the Gamesmaster (OX 3-1579) as soon as they receive this issue. When he gets them all, he will in turn phone all players to inform them. The deadline for "Spring 1902" moves is NOON, SATURDAY 2 JUNE 1973.

Robert Eisen's phone number is 849-3272. Kenneth Strauss writes that he has a new address, effective immediately: 639 E. 80th St., Brooklyn, N. Y. 11236. Press releases for this game begin on p. 39.

1972E

"Fall 1911"

ENGLISH DRIVE TURKS BACK

Following "Spring 1911" moves, Turkey retreated A War-Mos and Austria-Hungary retreated F Ion-Apu, A Ven-Tri. All players were informed.

ENGLAND (Abbott): F St.P(n.c.), F Wes, F Ber, & F Nap hold; F Tyr holds ((sic; no such unit exists)); A Liv-Mos; A War S A Liv-Mos; A Boh-Gal; A Sil S A Boh-Gal; A Mun-Tyr; A Den-Nwy; F Nth C A Den-Nwy; F Pru-Bal; F Ion-Alb; F Tun not ordered, holds.

FRANCE (Lipson): A Tus-Rom; A Ven S A Tus-Rom; A Mar-Pie; F Tyr-Lyo; A Bur not ordered, holds.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Prosnitz): F Apu-Adr; A Tri-Bud; A Vie S A Tri-Bud; A Bud-Rum; A Ser S A Bud-Rum.

TURKEY (Hendry): A Mos-War; A Gal S A Mos-War; A Bul-Ser; A Rum S A Bul-Ser; F Eas-Ion; F Adr S F Eas-Ion; F Alb, F Gre, & F Aeg S F Eas-Ion.

Underlined moves are not possible. England retreats F Ion-Tyr, and Turkey retreats A Mos-Sev, A Gal-Ukr. (If these players wish to exercise the option of removing these units instead they should inform the Gamesmaster at once.) The High Combatant Powers now control the following supply centers:

ENGLAND: Bel, Ber, Ben, Edi, Hol, Kie, Liv, Lon, Mos, Mun, Nap,

Nwy, St.P, Swe, Tun, War. (16)

FRANCE: Bre, Mar, Par, Por, Rom, Spa, Ven. (7)

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY: Bud, Ser, Tri, Vie. (4)

TURKEY: Ank, Bul, Con, Gre, Rum, Sev, Smy. (7)

England and France may each build two new units. Austria-Hungary must remove one unit, and Turkey must remove two. The deadline for these "Winter 1911" moves is NOON, SATURDAY 2 JUNE 1973.

THE MINISTRY OF MISCELLANY

On the weekend of 14-15 July there will be a 64-player board game tournament and other enjoyments at Tangeman Student Center, University of Cincinnati. A wide range of games will be played, including Diplomacy and Origins. Registration is \$1.50 per day, or \$2.50 by pre-registration (up to 30 June). For further information send a stamped, self-addressed envelope to Jack Hesselbrock, 311 Miami Valley Dr., Loveland, Ohio 45140.

On the same weekend is Minicontoario, at Dunberton High School, Pickering, Ontario. Diplomacy and other war games will be played. For information write John Leeder (see p. 52 for his address). The playing fee is \$1.00 on Friday, and \$1.50 each on Saturday and Sunday.

1973BC

"Fall 1901"

RUSSIANS BATTERED IN BALKANS

ENGLAND (Stehle): A Edi-Nwy; F Nrg C A Edi-Nwy; F Nth-Ska.

FRANCE (Model): F Mid-Por; A Mar-Spa; A Par-Bur. *

GERMANY (Stuart): A Tyr-Pie; A Kie-Den; F Hol holds.

ITALY (Paul): A Apu-Tun; F Ion C A Apu-Tun; A Ven-Tri.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Lipton): F Tri holds; A Bud-Rum; A Ser S A Bud-Rum.

RUSSIA (Drakert): F Bot-Swe; A Ukr S A Sev; F Rum S A Sev; A Sev S F Rum.TURKEY (Carroll): A Arm-Sev; F Bla S A Arm-Sev; A Bul S AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN
A Bud-Rum.

Underlined moves are not possible. The Russian F Rum is annihilated.
The High Combatant Powers now control the following supply centers:

ENGLAND: Edi, Liv, Lon, Nwy. (4) AUSTRIA-HUNGARY: Bud, Rum, Ser,

FRANCE: Bre, Mar, Par, Por, Spa. (5) Tri, Vie. (5)

GERMANY: Ber, Den, Hol, Kie, Mun. (5) RUSSIA: Mos, St.P, Sev, Swe, War.

ITALY: Nap, Rom, Ven, Tun. (4) (5)

TURKEY: Ank, Bul, Con, Smy. (4)

France, Germany, and Austria-Hungary may each build two new units, and
England, Italy, Turkey, and Russia may each build one. The deadline for
these "Winter 1901" moves is NOON, SATURDAY 2 JUNE 1973. Press releases
begin on p. 42. For Rick Stuart's new address see the report of 1973BQ.
Jerry Model writes that after 15 May he will be at 7 Dexter Road, Newton-
ville, Mass. 02160. Another address will come in soon; stay tuned.

72.28b

"Spring 1939"

GERMANY MOVES IN ON POLAND

USA (P. Valeri): Bri 4, Fra 8, Rus 10.

FRANCE (Heuer): Bri 5, Fra 2, Rus 5.

BRITAIN (Barents): Cze 2, Fra 5, Ita 4,
Pol 5, Rus 10, USA 5.

RUSSIA (Trtek): Rus 14.

GERMANY (Smith): Bri 15, Pol 13.

The deadline for "Fall 1939" moves
is NOON, SATURDAY 2 JUNE 1973. A play-
er may not use the same stock for more
than 1 attack on the same turn. Press
releases are on p. 47.

	USA	Fra	Bri	Rus	Ger
Als		C			
Aus					C
Bal			C	C	
Bri	U,11	5			15
Cze	U,10	U,10	U,7		5
Fra	8	2	5		
Ger			C		
Ita			5		
Pol	U,8		U,10		40
Rhi			C		C
Rum				C	C
Rus	U,15	5	10	26	U,15
USA			5		

THE MINISTRY OF MISCELLANY

Diplomacy was invented about 15 years ago by Allan B. Calhamer, and
is published by Games Research Inc. (See p. 62 for the address and oth-
er details.) Origins of World War II was invented by Jim Dunnigan and is
published by Avalon-Hill, whose address appears on p. 50. It is \$9.00 a
copy.

The following back issues of GRAUSTARK are available at 15¢ each or
10 for \$1.00: 120, 131, 137, 139, 140, 17, 171, 198-200, 202, 206, 215,
217, 239, 247-250, 252, 253, 255-259, 271, 273-288. All back issues of
FREEDONIA in which it was an Origins 'zine, 29 through 57, are available.
As a special clearance offer, a complete set of this second volume of
FREEDONIA is available for \$1.50. These issues include more than 30 com-
plete games of Origins, both postal and over-the-board.

"BLIND" REVISION

by Gilbert Neiger

Being one of the few (?) veterans of the "Blind" variant of Origins, I was disturbed by the large number of problems that arose, both in playability and realism. In this revision, I hope to rectify a few of these problems.

I. Same Variant in Allocations & Objectives: When the players pick for variants, or are picked for by a Gamesmaster, only one pick is made, and this is for both allocations and objectives. With this rule, one avoids objectives that are too much to handle, or an over-allocation to weak objectives. (Players would not be informed of each others' objectives or allocations.) This preserves realism because a USA with a strong 'Diplomatic Muscle' would not be going for historical objectives.

II. Each Pick Is From All Five: Each time a player picks, or is picked for, the pick is coming from all five of the variants. Therefore not every variant is necessarily being played. This will prevent shopping players from deducing everyone's objectives. Once again, realism is kept, because in reality all countries might be going for the same or different objectives, but not necessarily.

III. Suppression of PF's: Under this rule a player need not place all available PF's on the board during a given turn; he suppresses some. However, there are certain restrictions: a) the suppressing player must be either USA, France or Britain playing Brit/US, Aggr. French or Brit/US respectively; b) suppressed PF's may never be regained; c) the player may suppress only enough PF's to make it appear that he is playing with historical allocations; d) once a player had an opportunity to suppress, but did not, he may not do it again throughout the game; e) when suppressing, a player must suppress himself to the historical allocation for that turn.

These revisions should make the game more realistic and playable, while counterbalancing any unplayabilities that they themselves threw in.

THE DIPLOMATIC POUCH

DOUGLAS REIF: In answer to Bob Lipton's query ((in GRAUSTARK #288)) for the adjudication of the moves

FRANCE: A Ruh-Mun; A Bur & A Kie S A Ruh-Mun.

GERMANY: A Mun-Ruh; A Ber & A Sil S ITALIAN A Boh-Mun.

ITALY: A Boh-Mun; A Tyr S A Boh-Mun.

it should be as shown. It is clearly explained in GRAUSTARK #252, Rule Revision 10, which reads "Similarly, an order by one country which supports an attack by another country against a space occupied by one of the first country's units does not permit a move dislodging that unit, but may be valid for other purposes." "Other purposes" are explained in the sentence before, which reads "...standing off an equally well or less well supported attack on the same space by units of other countries."

((These quotations come from the 1971 edition of the Diplomacy rulebook, available for \$1 from Games Research Inc.))

JOHN BESHARA: Concerning the "problem" posed by Bob Lipton (GRAUSTARK #288, p. 10) in this adjudication:

FRANCE: A Ruh-Mun; A Bur & A Kie S A Ruh-Mun.

GERMANY: A Mun-Ruh; A Ber S ITALIAN A Boh-Mun.

ITALY: A Boh-Mun; A Tyr S A Boh-Mun.

The support of A Ber is valid in withstanding the French attack. A Boh-Mun does not succeed because it is stood-off by France.

A more interesting question in adjudication is:

FRANCE: A Ruh-Mun; A Bur S A Ruh-Mun.

GERMANY: A Mun-Ruh; A Ber S ITALIAN A Boh-Mun.

ITALY: A Boh-Mun; A Tyr S A Boh-Mun.

The support of A Ber is invalid only insofar as it would cause the dislodgement of A Mun.

There are numerous situations in which the support of a unit is valid for one purpose.
(continued on p. 43)

THE MINISTRY OF MISCELLANY

"Hell, no, I won't go" is not exactly unprecedented as a reaction to an unjust war. According to Samuel Eliot Morison's The Oxford History of the American People, many Englishmen felt this way about the American Revolution. "In England...sympathy with the American cause was widespread. Vice Admiral Augustus Keppel and General Sir Jeffrey Amherst refused to serve against America; General Harry Conway refused to 'draw his sword in that cause'; the Earl of Effingham, colonel of a regiment ordered to America, turned in his commission because 'the duties of a soldier and a citizen' had become 'inconsistent'. He was publicly congratulated on his stand by the city corporations of Dublin and London." Another nobleman, the Earl of Stirling, went even farther; he actually served on Washington's staff.

In recent years there has been some objection to the use in America of the Vietnamese National Liberation Front flag by anti-war demonstrators. Yet, according to Morison, during the American Revolution "Charles James Fox adopted blue and buff for the colors of the whig opposition because they were those of General Washington's uniform." - op.cit., p. 235

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In this book Morison quotes - for the first time in print as far as I am aware - an oral tradition that has been passed down through the New England aristocracy from the Constitutional Convention of 1787. Elbridge Gerry, a Massachusetts delegate who later attained fame as the inventor of the 'gerrymander', feared the establishment of too strong a government, and urged that the size of the army be limited to 3000 in peacetime. He "made a humorous comparison...of a standing army to a standing member - 'an excellent assurance of domestic tranquility, but a dangerous temptation to foreign adventure.'" - op. cit., pp. 308-9

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"Can you identify the person who made the following statements?

"The first is: 'I sincerely believe, with you, that banking establishments are more dangerous than standing armies.'

"The second is: 'I hope we shall crush in its birth the aristocracy of our moneyed corporations, which dare already to challenge our government to a trial of strength and bid defiance to the laws of our country.'

"If you guessed Ralph Nader or Karl Marx, good try, but you're all wrong. The speaker in both cases was Thomas Jefferson." - Los Angeles Staff, 26 January 1973

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"With the change of name of University College, Cambridge, to Wolfson College - the result of a gift of £2m by the Wolfson Foundation - Sir Isaac Wolfson has achieved a remarkable double.

"He is the first man since Jesus Christ to have colleges named after him at both Oxford and Cambridge." - London Sunday Telegraph

"One of our boys made it." - punch line of venerable joke

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Strategy & Tactics is pre-eminent in the war-gaming field - so much so that two other good publications are rather thrown in the shadows by it. One is Moves, published like S&T by Simulations Publications Inc., 44 E. 23rd St., New York, N. Y. 10010. The other is the British monthly Games & Puzzles. # 553

Moves is published in the months in which S&T is not; the latest issue, #7, is dated February 1973. A yearly subscription is \$7. Back issues are available for \$2 each.

Moves articles include hints on how to play various war-games (chiefly those published by SPI), and information about technical and political aspects of the wars of the past (and, on occasion, the future). The SPI penchant for self-analysis also crops up; there is much space devoted to readers' analysis of past issues, and suggestions for future ones. I've had two articles in Moves: one in #4 on political simulations, and one in #6 on games originating in or inspired by China.

One of these games is Jungle, an ancestor to Stratego. My article gives a description of the game, in which each side is composed of animals of various ranks from Elephant down to Rat. So what should I find in the March issue of Games & Puzzles but this

same game, adopted to modern commercial practices, and called "The Business Jungle".

The Business Jungle is identical to the classical Chinese game, save that all the pieces and the positions on the board have been renamed. Pieces are gold and silver, so the game is subtitled "Goldberg vs. Silverstein". (Peace; the designer's name is Eric Solomon, so I guess he's entitled.) Correspondences are as follows:

Jungle	Business Jungle
Den	Boardroom
Traps	Secretaries' offices
Lakes	Typing pools
Elephant	Chairman
Lion	Managing Director
Tiger	Director
Panther	Executive
Dog	Salesman
Fox	Clerk
Cat	Trainee
Rat	Office Boy

I am American agent for Games & Puzzles. Subscriptions are \$9 per year by surface mail and \$16.50 per year by air mail; back issues are available at the same rate.

As for Strategy & Tactics itself, it is \$10 for one year, \$17 for two, and \$24 for three. Each issue contains a complete new game. The last time I was at the S&T offices they were vigorously play-testing a new game called Sniper, based on house-to-house combat.

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Larry Peery and his works continue to defy description. His "International Diplomacy Association" has been wrested from his hands, and is now being bitched over by two cabals headed by Edi Birsan and Len Lakofka. So Peery has broken out in a new place, and has slicked up his publication Xenogogic. It now appears from the "Institute for Diplomatic Studies" - which is Peery under a new hat. In addition for promotions of his organization, a recent issue has a long, tear-jerking eulogy for the late homicidal maniac Lyndon B. Johnson. (It makes me curious to see what kind of eulogy Peery will produce for Manson if the state of California can ever get him past the Supreme Court and behind the black door.)

For details see Les Liaisons Dangereuses #42, published by Lakofka (whoever he is) at Apt. 525, 4970 Marine Drive, Chicago, Ill. 60640. This issue also contains an announcement of a war-gaming show and convention to be held in Chicago on 22-24 June.

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Peery is trying to make it appear that he is the central clearinghouse for all postal Diplomacy activities. His latest effort in this direction is the compilation of a "Who's Who". If you send your name and address to this clown, you may expect to get on some of the damndest mailing lists you ever heard of, since Peery once was a campaign worker for a far-right political fanatic named William Penn Patrick. At best, you will be subjected to tirades from Peery about nearly every other Gamesmaster in postal Diplomacy.

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They used to call it "the love that dares not speak its name". Now, sometimes, I wish it would shut up for a while. But if it's your bag, and you want to play postal Diplomacy, Chic Hilliker in The Silmarilli #5 suggests Luxor, P. O. Box 1506, La Mesa, Calif. 92041. "I haven't seen anything like it since I was in San Francisco and walked into the wrong night club downtown."

Science-fiction fandom also has elements that are finally coming out of the closet. At the costume ball of the last World Science-Fiction Convention, a San Francisco fan named Jerry Jacks (once a Dippy Gamesmaster) attended as "the Gay Mouser".

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This publication is not edited under the supervision of Bangs Leslie Tapscott.

THE AWAITED LETTER

((According to Lenard Lakofka, Rod Walker is coming back into postal Diplomacy fandom. He is now publishing a new 'zine from P. O. Box 1506, La Mesa, Calif. 92041. This provides me with the opportunity to print the letter that Walker has been waiting and hoping for - mainly because he'll never see it anywhere else.))

The White House
Washington, D. C.
April 1, 1984

Dear Dr. Walker:

You have probably heard about the untimely end of Dr. Henry Kissinger during his attempt to interpret American policy to the warring tribes of the Tutsis and the Frutsis in central Africa. His demise leaves a great vacancy in American global policy, though those of us who were privileged to work with him are consoled by the fact that the witnesses of his death praised him as "a man of excellent taste" who "gave freely of himself that we might digest fully the implications of American entry into our midst".

Abilities such as his are not to be found everywhere, but after due consultation I have determined that you are best qualified to succeed him as this country's chief practitioner of practical, realistic Weltpolitik. Your manifold abilities in this field have commanded you to my attention: your scholarly publications in the tradition of Portocarrero, Talleyrand, Metternich, Benjamin, Gapon, House, Papen, and the lamented Dr. Kissinger; your utter disregard for any aspects of world policy not quantifiable in terms of guns, dollars, and geopolitics; and your ability to rearrange portions of history inconvenient to our national interest. Though it will be difficult to match Dr. Kissinger in this last regard, I have every confidence in your ability.

Should you be willing to undertake this task, I can assure you a salary of \$300,000 per year (equal to \$40,000 1970 dollars), liberal inflation and expense allowances, the entire basement of the White House for living and office quarters, and utter freedom of accountability to either Congress or the press. In addition, you may make your own financial investments in nations where your advice on US policy is needed. Criticism of your actions and opinions will come under the same legal penalties as criticisms of mine, under the terms of the Agnew-Mitchell Freedom of Information Act, as amended.

I beg your quick consideration and acceptance of this offer, as Dr. Kissinger's death leaves several urgent problems unsettled. It has not yet been made public, but the world's richest thorium deposits have been discovered under the land over which the Tutsis and the Frutsis are fighting. Furthermore, the failure of the Russo-Chinese War to break out on schedule is causing us grave difficulties with the new Soka Gakkai government in Japan, which is launching an irredentist movement concerning the Siberian territories occupied in 1918-21.

Trusting that you will find it possible to come to your country's aid in this hour of its need, I remain,

Yours very sincerely,

/s/

Wallace Baines McNixedy
President of the United States

WBM:mg

There, that's that for the night, and if Miss Gemignani still can't transcribe a letter from a dictograph correctly, I'll fire her and hire that cute li'l Chinese gal who's been pestering me for a job. Hell's fire, what's the use of being President if you can't dump the work on a doubledome like Kissinger or Walker and have a li'l bit of fun once in a while...I wunner if it's true what they say about Chinese gals...

BOOK REVIEWS

All book reviews are by the editor unless another author is named.

Samuel Eliot Morison, *THE EUROPEAN DISCOVERY OF AMERICA: THE NORTHERN VOYAGES*, Oxford University Press, 1971.

I prefer partisan historians. Though they tell a story from a particular viewpoint, they let you know where they stand. You don't have to sort your way through a forest of pretensions to objectivity to find out what the author thinks, and what personal or partisan biases may affect his view of things. And, by and large, they are far livelier to read.

Such considerations are obvious for those of Morison's books dealing with contemporary American history. But they enter equally into this history of northern voyages from the years of myth through to 1600. This topic is for history what relativity is for physics - a field in which utterly unqualified persons feel themselves competent to write the most arrant nonsense, damning the recognized scholars in that field as a conspiracy against the "truths" which they alone know. Eva Taylor, Frederick J. Pohl*, and Hjalmar Holand are to history what Emmanuel Velikovsky and Hans Hürbiger are to astronomy, and any popular exposition for the layman must devote much time to shoveling out of the way the misconceptions which their well-oiled publicity machines have spread widely.

The first four chapters of this book have to be given over to that task, with rare intervals of lucidity in which such actual voyages as the Norse settlement on Newfoundland or the Portuguese discovery of the Azores are related. Most fascinating are the Irish myths of St. Brendan and his crew of sailor-monks. Apparently Brendan actually did cruise around the north Atlantic, certainly reaching Iceland and possibly also getting as far south as the Azores. Accounts of his voyage, as well as several reports from the Norse sagas, raise the tempting possibility that some of these Irishmen reached North America, but solid evidence is lacking. The Norse are backed up by the evidence; Morison tells of the excavations at L'Anse aux Meadows at the northern tip of Newfoundland which seem a conclusive indication that Leif Eiriksson wintered there. (Curiously, this remote point was also reached by Cabot and Cartier.)

The other claimants - Phoenicians, Roman Christian refugees, Welshmen, Venetians - all are compounded from fraud and misunderstanding, with a liberal sprinkling of national pride by compatriots of the alleged discoverers. The Newport Round Tower was built, not by Longfellow's "skeleton in armor", but by Benedict Arnold (1615-1677), governor of Rhode Island. The Kensington Stone and the Zeno account of a voyage in the 1390's are forgeries. The legend of "Welsh-speaking Indians" is utterly unsubstantiated by anthropologists - the identity of the Welsh-speaking tribe depends upon which Welshman is telling you this venerable fable. Morison crushingly refutes all these fables by observing that the Welsh annals do not mention the Madoc who allegedly led his countrymen to America in 1170, and by quoting the Bureau of American Ethnology to the effect that "There is not a provable trace of Welsh, Gaelic or any other European language in any native American language."

Most preposterous of these fables deals with a brace of pirates that sound like a vaudeville comedy team - Pining and Pothorst. The story first appeared in Olaus Magnus' *De Gentibus Septentrionalibus* (1555); Morison gives a facsimile of the tale, which is written in the worst Latin I ever read. These two corsairs allegedly set up shop on a non-existent island between Iceland and Greenland in 1494. Mixed in with their adventure is the tale of a certain Johannes Scolvus, whom some claim to be a Pole, Jan of Kovno, and whom others identify with Christopher Columbus! ("Scolvus"="Scolom"="Colom", according to Luis Ulloa, who makes Columbus not a Genoan but a fugitive Catalan. Since Scolvus is supposed to have found the Northwest Passage in 1476, and Columbus is known to have sailed in Arctic waters in 1477, this is good enough for Ulloa.) Also called into evidence is a 1537 globe citing Scolvus as the discoverer of the "*Quii populi*" in western Greenland. These words, merely Latin for "These people", have been expanded by

* - This is not the science-fiction writer and editor, but another man of the same name.

enthusiasts into a tribe of white Eskimos called the "Quil" - white, because "Quil" is supposed to be a Latin transliteration of the Icelandic hvitir, "white". Eva Taylor went further, from "Quil" to "Lequil", and thus to Lu Chu - the Chinese name for Okinawa!

After meticulously demolishing this nonsense, Morison lays it to rest with the following verses:

Pining and Pothorst were two merry men, They went to sea - we don't know when; Electing an international cruise, They invited aboard what made good news: Two Portugee and a fellow named Skoal (Who may have been Danish and maybe a Pole). And maybe, for boy (as you didn't sur- mise), The youthful Colon in Catalan disguise.	They sailed away for a year and a day To the land which the Quil create, And they danced around with many a bound On the shores of that Arctic strait. Pining and Pothorst each married a Quil And fathered some Quae and some Quod, While Scolvus-Colon sailed through to Ceylon And then to the Land of the God. So now you know, unless you're a fool, That they told you all wrong, when you studied at school.
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By "northern voyages" Morison means those in the Atlantic north of Florida. He does not limit himself to the well-publicized explorers who appear in every school history: Cabot, Verrazzano (since the Italian-American societies began talking him up), Cartier, and Raleigh. We also hear about the Corte Real brothers, Estevan Gomez (who sailed on the eastern coast of North America a few months after Verrazzano), the redoubtable Sir Martin Frobisher (who brought back from Baffin Land a load of alleged gold ore that was finally thrown out for road fill), and John Davis, whose exploration of the strait between Greenland and the Canadian Arctic islands has not received a tithe of the attention it deserves from historians. Morison is diligent in the cause of deserving men who have not had their merits recognized in history. Consider the case of Joao Fernandes (fl. 1499), a freholder (lavrador) of the Azores. He made a voyage into Arctic, and was the first to sight land. His name may be forgotten, but "Fernandes is still commemorated in the common speech of those northern regions, whose inhabitants invariably use the article when speaking of the country named after him... So, whenever you hear... a seaman say, 'I'm bound to The Labrador', pray give a kindly thought to Joao Fernandes, the sea-going husbandman of Terceira."

Morison brings virtually unique qualifications to this work. He has been an enthusiastic small-boat sailor since boyhood, and is a retired Rear Admiral. Thus, on any question of the handling of a sailing vessel, or on the dealings of a captain with a difficult crew, he speaks with professional experience which is not found in the usual historian. In another book, he quotes with gleeful approval a judgment by Columbus on armchair navigators:

"Let those who are fond of blaming and finding fault, while they sit safely at home, ask, 'Why did you not do this and so?' I wish they were on this voyage; I well believe that another voyage of a different sort awaits them, or our faith is naught!"

Seldom have critics been told so elegantly to go to hell!

For the landsman, Morison gives copious detail about shipboard life in the 16th century, right down to the chanteys, the rations, and the discipline. ("Yf the maister smyte any of the maryners the maryner ought to abide the fyrst buffet, be it with fyste or flat with his hande. But if he smyte any more he may defend hym.") He also looks into the political situation - why, for example, did France, with more population and wealth than England, fall behind in the race for colonies?

Part of the answer to this last question, and an important aspect of the whole Age of Exploration, was publicity. The contemporaries of the first Elizabeth understood as well as the contemporaries of the second the importance of advertising. For publicizing these voyages we are indebted to John Dee and Richard Hakluyt, whose promotional work created a great public interest in exploration. (Dee is perhaps most famous as an enthusiast, in his later years, for nigromancy, crystal-gazing, and other mystical

tomfoolery. For details see the account of his life by De Camp & De Camp, Spirits, Stars, and Spells.) Hakluyt publicized not only English but also foreign voyages, stimulating exploration by reports of successes of rival nations much as the space program has been stimulated in our days.

The last two chapters deal with the Virginia colonization plans of 1585 and 1587. These unfortunate experiences show what Morison has also pointed out in his biographies of Columbus and Champlain - that early colonies would inevitably fail unless they were heavily supported from home by people who realized that money had to be poured into these ventures rather than pumped out by them. (The lesson is even more emphatic for the exploration of space.) The "Lost Colony" of Roanoke Island he believes to have moved inland and merged with the Croatan Indians, now called the Lumbees. Family names used by both the colonists and the Lumbees, together with Elizabethan words in the Lumbee language, seem to support this. The Lumbees last achieved fame about 15 years ago, when they raided and broke up a rally by the local Ku Klux Klan. If Morison is right, the Lumbees probably bore more Anglo-Saxon genes than the Klansmen.

Morison is currently working on a second volume, dealing with the southern voyages. This presumably will take up navigation of the waters south of the Tropic of Cancer, where Africans and Portuguese rather than Norsemen and Kelts are the subjects of the evanescent tales of pre-Columbian voyages. I am eagerly looking forward to Morison's comments on these stories, particularly since he is investigating the situation with on-the-scene navigation. Last year, at the age of 85, he helped sail a ship around the Horn!

Poul Anderson, GUARDIANS OF TIME, Ballantine 01890-7-075, 75¢ (reviewed by Robert Bryan Lipton)

As time passes, genres mature. One of the methods by which such aging can be seen in science-fiction is the change in the size of the stories. In earlier stories much space must be spent explaining the idea. Murray Leinster's Sideways in Time does little else but this for 20,000 words. For a while there is an expansion in the length of the story, as writers begin to really dig into the ideas, and while the readers are still not quite familiar with the idea. The strongest, most obvious, and most powerful ideas are investigated during this period, such as De Camp's Lest Darkness Fall.* Finally a third period comes. Stories vary in length more and the themes, although not as strong as in the earlier days, are exploited much more strongly. On the short side, there is Niven's All the Myriad Ways.** I have no doubt that in a few years we will be treated to a 500-page novel that will be intensely boring and win the Hugo and Nebula awards and become an underground classic.

However, on the short side, there is also Poul Anderson's Guardians of Time, a collection of four connected stories.

Anderson is noted for both the quantity and quality of his works. In twenty years he has published well over forty books. Some of them have been masterpieces: Tau Zero, The High Crusade, Three Hearts and Three Lions - the list is long. Unhappily, Guardians of Time is not up to his best. It is barely good.

Anderson's history-changing is a rather complex one, seemingly derived from the one De Camp uses in Lest Darkness Fall. The individual who changes history, and the individuals who are in existence previous to the change continue in existence. There is a bit of discussion as to the various paradoxes involved. The stories hint that there is a rational theory behind it all, which the characters of the book do not understand. Since they do not build the time travelling devices, they don't have to. This seems reasonable. There are very few people who understand precisely how a television works, but this does not stop them from using these machines.

The first story is Time Patrol. Manson Everard, an out-of-work engineer in 1953, is approached to join a time-travelling police force. (It's handled a little more subtly than that, of course.) He finds out that the force is set up to prevent changes in the history of mankind. A few score thousands of years in the future, the Danellians hire men from various ages to prevent changes.

* - Reviewed by Lipton in GRAUSTARK #287.

* - Reviewed by Lipton in GRAUSTARK #286.

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Now most changes are minor. If (to use an example from the story) someone kills an ancestor of Roosevelt, it doesn't really matter. The total gene pool will still combine to produce someone enough like FDR to maintain the fabric of history.

But some changes can affect history. If Roosevelt had died from polio, or Augustus Caesar had died young (two events which might have happened), the course of history would change so drastically that the Danellians would never have come into existence.

Everard's first assignment comes about when he discovers that in the 1890's a man died when, on opening an early Anglo-Saxon barrow, he is killed by the radiation from a fiercely radio-active metal.

Everard and an associate zip back to the time, confer with Sherlock Holmes about it, then head further back to check out why it was there.

Before they do so, there is a bit of paradox. They check a report that shows they were successful. This does not mean they will be. (I know the tenses are confusing. This merely demonstrates that English is not designed to discuss time travel.) History can be changed.

In any case, they go back and stop the time traveler who wishes to interfere with history.

Of the four stories in the book, this is the best. It is marred, however, by a melodramatic ending.

The next story is Brave to be a King. Everard goes back to the days of the Achaemenid Persian Empire to investigate the disappearance of a patrolman who is looking into the movements of the various Iranian tribes of the time. Everard discovers that this man has taken the place of Cyrus the Great. The danger here is strictly personal. The patrolman, it appears, will have to stay in Persia. Through a series of tricks Everard manages to set things aright, and the patrolman may return to his wife.

The story is relatively minor. Its main point is 'you can't go home again'. It seems a rather weak point to spend thirty-eight pages investigating.

In addition, there are other problems. Everard spends a page lecturing an expert in this era of Persia on the importance of the era. Although it is necessary for the reader to have this explained, the method is very bad.

Everard lands in Persia in the fall of 542 BCE posing as a Greek and riding "...a handsome chestnut gelding, bigger even than most cavalry horses". Now the Persians were famous for the Nisaeen Plains breed, a horse which was larger than any other of the time. (They were almost as large as modern Arabians.) The breed's origin is not certain, but it seems to have been a well-established breed by the time the Persians took over the Median Empire.

The Persians never permitted anyone but the trusted individuals of the Persian royal family, and perhaps the Immortals (my source is unclear on this point) to ride these beasts.

At the beginning of chapter five Everard runs into some Immortals. If I were an Immortal, and I saw a Greek riding an animal reserved for the highest rank of the Persian aristocracy, I would assume that he was a horse thief. Since the Persians were ranchers and freeholders, the penalty would probably have been the same as the old West, only less concerned with the niceties of justice.

So this story is very badly flawed. If you're looking for a good story, skip this one.

After this the stories get even worse. The third one, The Only Game in Town, has Everard and an assistant stopping a Mongol expedition through America in the reign of Kubilai Khan.

Now there is no doubt that the Chinese had the technological capacity to sail to America. Their ships ranged as far as Zanzibar. The Chinese, though, had a tremendous fear of barbarians. This is what stopped them from sailing around Africa, and it would have stopped them from making this expedition.

Secondly, Anderson holds that the various potlatch tribes of the Northwest evolved through the intermarriage between the native Indians and the Chinese who were stranded there by Everard's meddling. This is nonsense. The supposed justification for this assumption (not mentioned in the book, but the only tenable one) is threefold. They are (1) the skill of the Northwest Indians in building seagoing ships; (2) the fact that the Northwest Indians do not shave; (3) the potlatch.

The skill of the Northwest Indians in building ships is not surprising. Until one reaches San Francisco the coastline south of these Indians is bad for shipping. There are few natural ports.

Furthermore the fact that other Indians, in areas with fine natural ports, did not build seagoing ships does not prove anything. The Mayans did not invent the decimal system, and they had the mathematical base for it. If a culture does not possess something, it indicates nothing. If it does possess that thing, it merely indicates that that thing is useful.

Now, if the Chinese had been the originators of the Northwest Indians' boatbuilding industry, one would expect that the words discussing ships in the Indians' languages to be similar to those in Chinese. For instance, when the French borrowed the bowsprit from English ships, they took the term. Today, that spar on the prow of French ships (when they have them) is called a 'beautiful meadow'.

But there is no similarity between Chinese and Athabascan.

The matter of facial hair is a stormy one. It is difficult to decide on its origin. The fact that the Northwest tribes do not shave indicates nothing. Perhaps the tribes formed when their members dropped out of the warlike Apaches to make love instead of war.

As for the potlatch, it originated because the Northwest Indians lived in a fabulously rich country, and their population was declining. This naturally leads to a large surplus. The amount of food and valuables distributed at potlatches seem to be the inverses of the population figures.

The story is not bad. There is a snapper at the end, however, that should have been saved for the last story in the series.

In the fourth and final story, Delenda Est, some time travellers manage to foul up history. Two of them went back to the battle of Ticinus and killed Scipio Africanus and his father, permitting the Carthaginians to win the Second Punic War. Rome was wiped out, and Carthage became the major power of the Mediterranean for a few hundred years.

However, the Gauls invade Italy and take it over, and the Kelts become the major power of the western world.

I can take a lot of things, but the idea that the Kelts could conquer the world is ridiculous. One need only look at their history from disorganized raids in Anatolia in the eighth century BCE to the fighting now going on in Northern Ireland to see that the Kelts, like the modern Italians, are too disorganized to be a major power.

And, to pile Pelion on Ossa, Lithuania is another major power. Actually, medieval Lithuania consisted of thousands of widely scattered Lithuanian aristocrats lording it over Ukrainian, Polish, Russian and other nations' peasants. Lithuania survived because there was no effective power to oppose her. On the Baltic shore the Germans managed to conquer the entire coast except for a small strip north of Klaipeda, despite all the Lithuanians and Poles could do.

Everard goes out and defeats the bad guys. The story ends with Everard watching another man get the girl. This is understandable. If he believes these cock-and-bull ideas about history, he must be pretty stupid.

And yet (it's hard for me to say this), Anderson is a good story teller. Although these are cruder than one would expect from him, these stories are worth the 75¢ the book costs. Everard's character comes through realistically. The other characters, although often mere spear-carriers, have their individual quirks. One can feel them hurt. That's what a story is about.

Shimon Tzabar, THE WHITE FLAG PRINCIPLE: HOW TO LOSE A WAR AND WHY, Simon & Schuster, 1972

From before Sun Tzu to the present day, strategists and historians have been giving advice on how to set your country up for victory, how to win victory on the battlefield, and how to preserve its spoils. Now, just in time for America's defeat by the Vietnamese, an Israeli (!) author has come out with some excellent advice on how and why to lose a war. Like most writers on military affairs, Tzabar goes right back to the socio-economic base and how it affects the course of a war. We learn "How to manage a bumbling foreign policy", "How to ruin a flourishing economy", "How to train an

army to lose in battle", and "Enjoyment and recreation under foreign occupation."

First, of course, the author asks, "Why defeat?" He then compares the victorious with the defeated, and observes that there is little difference in their situations, and what differences exist are to the advantage of the defeated. Here, the precedents of World War II are particularly useful. Twenty-eight years after the end of the war, what are the two strongest currencies in the world? Why, the Japanese yen and the German mark! Telefunken and Farben, Toyota and Honda, are trade names famous the world over. France was on the winning side, and Italy on the losing side, and yet what difference is there in their economies today? "The fate of conquered people should be compared with the fate of free people, and especially of free people belonging to powerful and victorious regimes." For instance, the victors invariably suffer heavier casualties than the vanquished.

In Vietnam we see every day the things that Tzabar is talking about. "Prisoners of war," he says, "are, on the whole, more respected than free, fighting soldiers...Red Cross parcels, for example, are luxuries which no free, fighting man has ever received." This holds even for returned POWs. "It is also important to point out that a POW is never 'forgotten' as is the fighting man in the trenches. The POW is a focus of world attention, pity, and sympathy...If something is not to the POW's complete satisfaction he can complain and send out petitions. A free soldier cannot send out petitions, and his right to complain is very restricted."

At present, the US is making a great fuss over POWs, but is giving very little attention to Vietnam war veterans who were never captured. A man who comes home from Indo-China a multiple amputee, Medal of Honor winner, drug addict, or full of clap is not receiving a tithe of the attention and honor given to the POWs. If POW camps have bad reputations, it is partly due to barbed wire disease ("It occurs also among ship's crews, in hospitals, in monasteries and among explorers.") and partly due to manufacture of atrocity stories. ("Slander of the enemy is esteemed a patriotic duty...stories of maltreatment of prisoners have to be circulated deliberately in order to prevent surrenders. This is done of course on both sides. Whereas naturally each side tries to treat its prisoners as well as possible ~~as~~ as to attract others." - Arthur Ponsonby, Falsehood in War Time, 1928)

It is particularly significant that this book was written in English by an Israeli, and published in the United States. The USA and Israel are the only two nations that have as a national tradition an unbroken string of victories. This is conducive to an attitude of international arrogance - with consequences that can be seen in the case of Japan, which had a similar record prior to World War II. As Anatol Rapoport has remarked, "If...we extend Clausewitz's dictum that only the outcome of the final war counts in the career of a war-waging state, we must conclude on the basis of historical experience that military prowess is more likely to lead to defeat than to victory."

Every aspect of defeat and surrender is covered. Tzabar observes that "A desire to lose is not enough to guarantee defeat...It is...almost impossible to be defeated if one's economy is flourishing." The act of surrender is also described. A distinction is made between tactical surrender, in which individual soldiers come out with their hands up, and strategic surrender, in which a commander waves the white flag and yields up a large number of troops. The former situation is preferred, since a strategic surrender may saddle the victor with more prisoners than he can conveniently handle. Also, white flags or other symbols of strategic surrender may easily be misinterpreted. But, if you have to give up this way, instructions are included for making one white flag out of five US flags. (Other nations have it easier. "The Israeli flag, for example, can easily be turned into a white flag by removing the two blue strips and the Star of David.") Tzabar even suggests that the Eskimos are the only people who do not make war, merely as a consequence of the fact that white flags cannot be used against their landscape. "Snow, and the difficulty of surrender in it, may also explain why major war operations usually start in the spring or summer and not in the autumn or winter."

However, the author adds a word of caution to those persuaded of the advantages of defeat over victory: "If one's enemy is much weaker than oneself, merely pursuing the war in an inefficient manner will not bring about the desired results." - with the Russo-Finnish War as a case in point. And he "reserves the right to reject any claim for damages...resulting from correct or incorrect use of any of the tips, ideas, recommendations, and directions...which may result in victory."

THE COUNTRY PREFERENCES

For the first time, entrants in the new GRAUSTARK games were asked to submit a list of countries in the order that they would prefer to play them. Of the 28 entries submitted, 24 included such a list. This list by no means corresponds with the generally accepted views as to which is the strongest country. Below the entries are rated on the basis of 6 points for a first choice, 5 for a second choice, etc. The numbers in parentheses indicated the number of first choices which that country received:

FRANCE (7) - 104
 RUSSIA (4) - 86
 ENGLAND (5) - 84
 GERMANY (4) - 62

TURKEY (1) - 58
 ITALY (2) - 57
 AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (1) - 53

Although the manufacturers of rating systems claim that Russia, Turkey, and England are the three best countries (in an as yet undetermined order), France seems to be the preference among players. Turkey rates surprisingly low, and explains why many players got Turkey as a second or third choice.

It is not even ethnic preference that causes Turkey to place so low. By and large, players are not particularly inclined to select the country from which (if their names are any indication) their ancestors emigrated. This raises the prospect that some Gamesmaster might try to organize an ethnic game. Such a game would have no trouble getting players for England, Germany, or Italy. There are many more Americans of French ancestry than is generally suspected, ranging from descendants of 17th-century Protestant refugees to recent immigrants from French Canada and their offspring. But the other three countries might have to be represented by descendants of their subject peoples. If an ethnic game is ever started, it may well find Austria-Hungary, Russia, and Turkey being played by the grandsons of a Czech peasant, a Litvak rabbi, and a fisherman from Lesbos.

One game, 1971BB, is composed entirely of residents of New York City. This was made necessary by the distribution of early entries, combined with the usual controversies in postal Diplomacy. It has been my experience that residents of this city are regarded with a suspicion verging on paranoia in other parts of the country. At the time when Larry Peery was trying to bring postal Diplomacy fandom under his control, many of his supporters' arguments were phrased in terms of prejudice against the New York residence of his major opponents. The out-of-town press, and California-based television, seem to enjoy making gratuitous attacks on New York, its residents, and its way of life. (It is particularly ironic to see anti-New York gags on TV shows that originate in Los Angeles - home of such particular memorials to law, order, and good inter-ethnic relations as Sam Yorty, Charles Manson, All in the Family, Ron Karenga, and Joseph Tomassi.) The alternatives were making an all-New York game, or leaving the two or three New York City players in each game open to charges of being a bloc working in collusion against the others.

At that, the players in 1973BB may not be in the clear. I take no stock in rating systems myself, but a good many other players do. And the rating systems now active in postal Diplomacy do not rate all-New York games. The last one, 1970AG, is not rated by John McCallum or by any of the other services which use his data. Players in 1973BB should keep this in mind, and make sure that the rating systems include this game.

The reason for this is, of course, sheer jealousy. Even now, New York City sets the fashions - both in the garment trade, of which it is this hemisphere's center, and in the world of ideas. What New York wears today, the rest of the country will wear next year. What New York thinks today is what the rest of the country will think next year. And the platforms on which Democrats in Manhattan run this year, will be the platforms on which Republicans in Kansas will run by 1985.

Let provincials in the uttermost reaches of California or Alberta run the rating systems. New York City determines what will be there to be rated.

THE SIMULATION PAPERS

Every Friday evening, beginning about 6 PM, there is a play-testing session at the offices of Simulations Publications Inc., 9th floor, 44 E. 23rd St., New York, N. Y. 10010. Here volunteer players test out forthcoming SPI games, ranging from simulations of classical battles and campaigns to the intriguing Sniper, which simulates house-to-house combat with weapons like grenades and Molotov cocktails ("in the no-deposit, no-return bottle"). Of late, SPI has had more volunteer players than it has had game rooms for them. So the surplus foregather in a "holding room" next to the soda machine and play already published board games. Sometimes Diplomacy or Quebec 1759 is played, but usually the favorite is Origins of World War II.

With this issue of GRAUSTARK, I have merged into it FREEDONIA, my bulletin for postal games of Origins. Also, I will run in it from time to time reports of these over-the-board games of Origins. If you are unfamiliar with this game, but would like to know more, it can be obtained at \$9 retail from its publisher, Avalon-Hill, or from any well-stocked game store. Its designer is Jim Dunnigan, head of SPI. Many of its features are modeled after Diplomacy, but it is a shorter game, and can be played in full in about an hour. It simulates not war, but the diplomatic maneuvering in Europe in the 1930's. Each player has certain National Objectives which he tries to attain.

Several different scenarios exist for this game. I am going to indicate them by the following letters, a designation borrowed from Edi Birsan's Arena. Arena plays the same role in Origins that Conrad von Metzke's Everything does in Diplomacy - it is a central clearinghouse for records on the postal game, and assigns game numbers.

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|--------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| a - Anti-Bolshevik Crusade | h - Historical Game |
| b - Aggressive British-US Alliance | m - Mixed ("The Blind Game") |
| c - Aggressive French Policy | x - Other |
| d - Aggressive French-British Policy | |

In the Blind Game, players draw publicly for their allocation chart of Political Factors (PFs), which determines their playing capacity in the game. At the beginning of each Blind Game published here, the PF allocation chart used by a player will be indicated by a letter from the above list. Players then draw again, secretly, for the National Objective Chart (NOC) that they will use. I will leave as an exercise for the reader the determination of the NOC that each player is using, and will list them at the end of that game.

All games were played with a non-playing Gamesmaster and simultaneous placement of PFs, unless otherwise indicated.

I - d (undated)*

"Spring 1935"		"Spring 1935"		"Fall 1935"
USA (Katzoff): USA 2.		USA Fra Bri Rus Ger		USA Fra Bri Rus Ger
FRANCE (Arensmeyer): Aus 4.	Als		Als	
BRITAIN (Boardman): Cze 4,	Aus	4	Aus	4
Pol 4.	Bal		5 Bal	
RUSSIA (Kelleher): Pol 6.	Bri		Bri	
GERMANY (Jones): Bal 5,	Cze	4	Cze	4
Rhi 7.	Fra		Fra	
	Ger		Ger	
"Fall 1935"	Ita		Ita	
	Pol	4 6	Pol	4 6
GERMANY: Bal C, Rhi C.	Rhi	7	Rhi	
USA 25, Germany 8, France 0,	Rum		Rum	
Britain 0, Russia 0.	Rus		Rus	
	USA 2		USA 2	

* - Since these game notes are in my handwriting and I played, consecutive placement seems more likely.

"Spring 1936"

USA: USA 4.
 FRANCE: Aus 6.
 BRITAIN: Cze 5, Pol 5.
 RUSSIA: Pol 3, Rum 5.
 GERMANY: Ger 11, Rum 5.

"Fall 1936"

FRANCE: Aus U.
 BRITAIN: Cze U, Pol U.
 RUSSIA: Rum C.
 GERMANY: Rum C.
 USA 14, Germany 10, Britain 10, France 5, Russia 3.

"Spring 1936"

USA Fra Bri Rus Ger

Als
 Aus 10
 Bal
 Bri
 Cze 9
 Fra
 Ger 11
 Ita
 Pol 9 9
 Rhi
 Rum 5 5
 Rus
 USA 6

"Fall 1936"

USA Fra Bri Rus Ger

Als
 Aus U,10
 Bal
 Bri
 Cze U,9
 Fra
 Ger 11
 Ita
 Pol U,9 9
 Rhi
 Rum C C
 Rus
 USA 6

"Spring 1937"

USA: USA 6.
 FRANCE: Aus 2, Fra 6.
 BRITAIN: Cze 3, Pol 4, Rus 5.
 RUSSIA: Pol 7, Rus 3.
 GERMANY: Pol 30.

"Fall 1937"

GERMANY: Attacks Britain in Pol, 2:l. (2), X. Each side removes 13.
 BRITAIN: Rus U; loses Pol U.
 RUSSIA: Pol C.
 GERMANY: Pol C.
 USA 17, Germany 13, Britain 7, Russia 7, France 5.

"Spring 1937"

USA Fra Bri Rus Ger

Als
 Aus U,12
 Bal
 Bri
 Cze U,12
 Fra 6
 Ger 1
 Ita
 Pol U,13 16 30
 Rhi C
 Rum C
 Rus 5 3
 USA 12

"Fall 1937"

USA Fra Bri Rus Ger

Als
 Aus U,12
 Bal
 Bri
 Cze U,12
 Fra 6
 Ger 1
 Ita
 Pol C C
 Rhi C C
 Rum C C
 Rus U,5 3
 USA 12

"Spring 1938"

USA: USA 8.
 FRANCE: Als 5, Cze 5.
 BRITAIN: Aus 5, Bri 8, Cze 1.
 RUSSIA: Bri 6, Fra 6.
 GERMANY: Ger 24.

"Fall 1938"

FRANCE: Als C, Cze U.
 BRITAIN: Aus U.
 RUSSIA: Bri U, Fra U.
 USA 13, Germany 13, Russia 11, France 10, Britain 10.

"Spring 1938"

USA Fra Bri Rus Ger

Als 5
 Aus U,12 5
 Bal
 Bri 8 6
 Cze 5 U,13
 Fra 6
 Ger 25
 Ita
 Pol C C
 Rhi C C
 Rum C C
 Rus U,5 3
 USA 20

"Fall 1938"

USA Fra Bri Rus Ger

Als C
 Aus U,12 U,5
 Bal
 Bri 8 U,6
 Cze U,5 U,13
 Fra 6 U,6
 Ger 25
 Ita
 Pol C C
 Rhi C C
 Rum C C
 Rus U,5 3
 USA 20

"Spring 1939"

USA: USA 10.
 FRANCE: Aus 10.
 BRITAIN: Bri 4, Fra 12.
 RUSSIA: Bri 7, Fra 4, Rus 3.
 GERMANY: Aus 52.

"Fall 1939"

RUSSIA: Attacks Britain in Rus, 1:l. (2), X. Each player removes 5.
 GERMANY: Attacks Britain in Aus, 5:l. (2), D. Britain removes 5.
 BRITAIN: Fra U; loses Aus U, Rus U.

"Spring 1939"

	USA	Fra	Bri	Rus	Ger
Als		C			
Aus		U,30	U,5		52
Bal					C
Bri			12	U,13	
Cze		U,5	U,13		
Fra			12	U,10	
Ger					1
Ita					
Pol				C	C
Rhi					C
Rum				C	C
Rus			U,5	6	
USA	30				

"Fall 1939"

	USA	Fra	Bri	Rus	Ger
Als		C			
Aus		U,30			52
Bal					C
Bri			12	U,13	
Cze		U,5	U,13		
Fra			U,12	U,10	
Ger					1
Ita					
Pol				C	C
Rhi					C
Rum				C	C
Rus				1	
USA	30				

"Spring 1940"

	USA	Fra	Bri	Rus	Ger
Als		6			
Aus		U,30	20		52
Bal					C
Bri				U,13	8
Cze		U,14	U,13		
Fra			U,12	U,10	8
Ger	42			16	1
Ita		5	5		8
Pol				6	C
Rhi					C
Rum				6	C
Rus			5	1	8
USA					

USA 15, Germany 13, Russia 11, France 10, Britain 6.

"Fall 1940"

"Spring 1940"

USA: Ger 42.

RUSSIA: Ger 16.

FRANCE: Cze 9, Ita 5.

GERMANY: Bri 8, Fra 8,

BRITAIN: Aus 20, Ita 5, Rus 5.

Ita 8, Rus 8.

"Fall 1940"

USA: Attacks Russia in Ger, 2:1. (3), X. Each side removes 16.

GERMANY: Attacks Russia in Rus, 5:1. (1), D. Russia moves 1.

GERMANY: Attacks France & Britain in Aus, 1:1. (5), A. Germany removes 52.

FRANCE: Ita U.

GERMANY: Bri U, Fra U,

BRITAIN: Aus U, Ita U, Rus U. Ita U, Rus U.

FINAL SCORE: Germany 18, USA 13, France 13, Britain 13, Russia 11.

	USA	Fra	Bri	Rus	Ger
Als		C			
Aus		U,30	U,20		
Bal					C
Bri				U,13	U,8
Cze		U,14	U,13		
Fra			U,12	U,10	U,8
Ger	26				1
Ita		U,5	U,5		U,8
Pol				C	C
Rhi					C
Rum				C	C
Rus			U,5		U,8
USA					

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"Spring 1935"

USA: (Sisselman): Pol 2.
 FRANCE (Katzoff): Rum 4.
 BRITAIN (Jones): Bal 4, Pol 4.
 RUSSIA (Heuer): Bal 5, Rus 1.
 GERMANY (Neiger): Bal 7, Rum 5.

"Spring 1935"

	USA	Fra	Bri	Rus	Ger
Aus					
Bal			4	5	7
Bri					
Cze					
Fra					
Ger					
Ita					
Pol	2		4		
Rhi					
Rum		4			5
Rus				1	
USA					

"Fall 1935"

	USA	Fra	Bri	Rus	Ger
Aus					
Bal				C	C
Bri					
Cze					
Fra					
Ger					
Ita					
Pol	2		4		
Rhi					
Rum		4			5
Rus				1	
USA					

"Fall 1935"

GERMANY: Attacks Britain in Bal, 1:1. (1), D. Britain removes 4.
 RUSSIA: Bal C.
 GERMANY: Bal C.
 Russia 6, Germany 4, USA 0,
 France 0, Britain 0.

"Spring 1936"

USA: Pol 3, Rum 1.
FRANCE: Pol 5, Rum 1.
BRITAIN: Ger 5, Pol 5.
RUSSIA: Rum 5, Rus 3.
GERMANY: Pol 16.

"Fall 1936"

RUSSIA: Attacks USA in Rum, 5:1. (1), D. USA removes 1.
GERMANY: Attacks France in Pol, 3:1. (4), X. Each side removes 5.
GERMANY: Attacks France in Rum, 1:1. (4), no change.

USA: Pol U.
FRANCE: Rum U.
BRITAIN: Ger U, Pol U.
Britain 7, Russia 6, Germany 4, USA 3, France 2.

"Spring 1937"

USA: Rum 6.
FRANCE: Ger 5, Rum 3.
BRITAIN: Bri 3, Ger 6, Pol 2, Rum 1.
RUSSIA: Ger 7, Rum 7.
GERMANY: Rum 20.

"Fall 1937"

RUSSIA: Attacks USA & Britain in Rum, 1:1. (3), no change.
GERMANY: Attacks France in Rum, 3:1. (4), X. Each side removes 8.
GERMANY: Attacks USA in Pol, 2:1. (4), X. Each side removes 5.
USA: Rum U; loses Pol U.
FRANCE: Ger U; loses Rum U.
RUSSIA: Ger U.
Britain 7, Russia 7, France 6, Germany 4, USA 1.

"Spring 1938"

USA: Ger 5, Pol 3.
FRANCE: Ger 5, Ita 5.
BRITAIN: Bri 6, Ger 2, Rum 6.
RUSSIA: Pol 12.
GERMANY: Aus 5, Bri 5, Cze 5, Fra 4, Rhi 5.

"Spring 1936"

USA Fra Bri Rus Ger

Aus
Bal
Bri
Cze
Fra
Ger
Ita
Pol
Rhi
Rum
Rus
USA

5
C C
Cze
Fra
Ger
Ita
Pol 5 5 9 16
Rhi
Rum 1 5 5 5
Rus 4
USA

"Spring 1937"

USA Fra Bri Rus Ger

Aus
Bal
Bri
Cze
Fra
Ger
Ita
Pol
Rhi
Rum
Rus
USA

5
C C
3
5 U,11 7
U,5 U,11 11
6 U,8 1 12 25
USA

"Spring 1938"

USA Fra Bri Rus Ger

Aus
Bal
Bri
Cze
Fra
Ger
Ita
Pol
Rhi
Rum
Rus
USA

5
C C
9 5 5 4
5 U,10 U,13 U,7
5
3 U,11 12 6
U,6 7 12 17
Rus
USA

"Fall 1936"

USA Fra Bri Rus Ger

Aus
Bal
Bri
Cze
Fra
Ger
Ita
Pol
Rhi
Rum
Rus
USA

U,5
U,5 U,9 11
U,5 5 5
4

"Fall 1937"

USA Fra Bri Rus Ger

Aus
Bal
Bri
Cze
Fra
Ger
Ita
Pol
Rhi
Rum
Rus
USA

U,5 U,11 U,7
U,11 6
U,6 1 12 17
USA

"Fall 1938"

USA Fra Bri Rus Ger

Aus
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Rus
USA

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U,5 U,10 U,13 U,7
U,5
3 U,11 12 6
U,6 7 12 17
Rus
USA

"Fall 1938"

RUSSIA: Attacks Britain in Pol, 1:1. (3), no change.
RUSSIA: Attacks Britain in Rum, 1:1. (3), no change.
GERMANY: Attacks USA in Pol, 2:1. (5), no change.
GERMANY: Attacks USA in Rum, 2:1. (6), no change.
USA: Ger U.
FRANCE: Ita U.
GERMANY: Aus C, Bri U, Cze C, Rhi C.
Germany 12, France 9, Britain 7, Russia 7, USA 5.

"Spring 1939"

USA: Pol 5, Rus 5.
 FRANCE: Fra 7, Rus 5.
 BRITAIN: Bri 6, Ger 2,
 Pol 3, Rus 5.
 RUSSIA: Ger 7, Rus 7.
 GERMANY: Fra 2, Ger 26.

Aus
 Bal
 Bri
 Cze
 Fra
 Ger
 Ita
 Pol
 Rhi
 Rum
 Rus
 USA

"Spring 1939"

USA Fra Bri Rus Ger
 U,5 U,10 U,15 U,14 26

C Aus
 C Bal
 U,5 Bri
 C Cze
 6 Fra
 26 Ger
 Ita
 6 Pol
 C Rhi
 17 Rum
 Rus
 USA

"Fall 1939"

USA Fra Bri Rus Ger
 U,10 U,14 6

C Aus
 C Bal
 U,5 Bri
 C Cze
 U,6 Fra
 6 Ger
 U,5 Ita
 6 Pol
 C Rhi
 17 Rum
 7 Rus
 20 USA

"Fall 1939"

BRITAIN: Attacks Germany in
 Bri, 3:1. (6), no change.
 RUSSIA: Attacks Britain in
 Rus, 1:1. (1), Britain
 removes 5.

GERMANY: Attacks USA & Britain in Ger, 1:1. (2), X.
 Germany removes 20, Britain removes 15, and USA re-
 moves 5.

USA: Pol U, Rus U; loses Ger U. BRITAIN: Loses Ger U.
 FRANCE: Rus U. GERMANY: Fra U.
 Germany 15, France 10, Russia 7, USA 5, Britain 2.

"Spring 1940"

USA: Bri 6, Fra 6. RUSSIA: Pol 10, Rum 8, USA 5.
 FRANCE: Bri 6, Ger 5, GERMANY: Fra 2, Ita 5,
 Pol 5, USA 5. Rus 5, USA 20.
 BRITAIN: Fra 5, Ger 5, Ita 5, Pol 6, Rus 5, USA 5.

USA Fra Bri Rus Ger
 U,15 U,14 6
 U,5 5
 U,8 5 U,20 22 6
 U,6 7 20 17
 U,5 U,5 5 5
 5 5 5 20

"Fall 1940"

FRANCE: Attacks Britain in Ger, 3:1. (5), X. Each
 side removes 5.
 BRITAIN: Attacks France in Pol, 4:1. (6), X. Each side
 removes 5.
 BRITAIN: Attacks Russia in USA, 1:1. (1), D. Russia
 removes 5.
 RUSSIA: Attacks Britain in Pol, 1:1. (3); no change.
 RUSSIA: Attacks Britain in Rum, 2:1. (4), X. Each
 side removes 7.
 GERMANY: Attacks Britain in USA, 4:1. (5), X. Each
 side removes 5.
 GERMANY: Attacks USA in Rum, 2:1. (3), X. Each side
 removes 6.
 USA: Bri U, Fra U; loses Rum U.
 FRANCE: Bri U, USA U.
 BRITAIN: Fra U, Ita U, Rus U.
 RUSSIA: Rum C.
 GERMANY: Ita U, Rum C, USA U.

"Fall 1940"

USA Fra Bri Rus Ger
 U,6 U,6 2 U,5
 U,6 U,5 U,8
 U,10 U,14 6
 U,5 U,5 U,5
 U,8 U,15 22 6
 C C
 C C
 U,5 U,5
 U,5 U,15

FINAL SCORE: Germany 22, France 19, USA 14, Britain 11,
 Russia 11.

The game printed just before this one had the unusually low number of six attacks; this one had the unusually high number of twenty-one. There is this thing about Evan Jones and 1:1 attacks; of the seven made against him, three succeeded.

This "Anti-Bolshevik Crusade" version indicates once again who is the real winner of this scenario - Germany, and by a good margin. Even today you will sometimes hear people lament that Russia rather than Germany was not the target of an international diplomatic and/or military effort in the 1930's. This game shows who would have been the ultimate beneficiary of such a policy.

III. - m (23 March 1973)

"Spring 1935"

USA (h) (D. Smith): Rhi 2.
 FRANCE (c) (Jones): Als 4.
 BRITAIN (a) (Schimel):
 Cze 3, Pol 3, Rhi 2.
 RUSSIA (b) (Fulbright):
 Bal 5, Rus 1.
 GERMANY (d) (Neiger):
 Aus 5, Rhi 7.
 (Note that all players have
 the PF allocations for the
 historical game except for
 France)

"Fall 1935"

"Spring 1935"

USA	Fra	Bri	Rus	Ger
4				
			5	5
		3		
2		2		7

Als
Aus
Bal
Bri
Cze
Fra
Ger
Ita
Pol
Rhi
Rum
Rus
USA

"Fall 1935"

USA	Fra	Bri	Rus	Ger
4				
				C
		3		
		3		
				3

Als
Aus
Bal
Bri
Cze
Fra
Ger
Ita
Pol
Rhi
Rum
Rus
USA

GERMANY: Attacks USA & Bri-
 tain in Rhi, 1:1. (2), X.
 Germany removes 4, and USA
 & Britain remove 3 each.
 RUSSIA: Bal C.
 GERMANY: Aus C.

"Spring 1936"

USA: Ger 4.
 FRANCE: Als 2, Cze 4, Rhi 2.
 BRITAIN: Als 2, Pol 6, Rhi 2.
 RUSSIA: Als 3, Rum 6.
 GERMANY: Als 3, Rhi 13.

"Fall 1936"

"Spring 1936"

USA	Fra	Bri	Rus	Ger
6		2	3	3
				C
4		3		
			9	
2		2		16
			6	

Als
Aus
Bal
Bri
Cze
Fra
Ger
Ita
Pol
Rhi
Rum
Rus
USA

"Fall 1936"

USA	Fra	Bri	Rus	Ger
6			3	3
				C
		4	3	
4				
			U,9	
				C

Als
Aus
Bal
Bri
Cze
Fra
Ger
Ita
Pol
Rhi
Rum
Rus
USA

FRANCE: Attacks Britain in
 Als, 3:1. (2), D. Bri-
 tain removes 2.

GERMANY: Attacks France &
 Britain in Rhi, 4:1. (2),
 D. France & Britain
 each remove 2.
 BRITAIN: Pol U.
 RUSSIA: Rum C.
 GERMANY: Rhi C.

"Spring 1937"

USA: Als 1, Bri 4, Ger 1.
 FRANCE: Fra 10, Ger 6.
 BRITAIN: Als 2, Cze 4, Fra 6.
 RUSSIA: Als 5, Pol 5.
 GERMANY: Pol 20.

"Spring 1937"

USA	Fra	Bri	Rus	Ger
1	6	2	8	3
				C
4			7	
	10	6		
5	6			
		U,9	5	20
				C

Als
Aus
Bal
Bri
Cze
Fra
Ger
Ita
Pol
Rhi
Rum
Rus
USA

"Fall 1937"

USA	Fra	Bri	Rus	Ger
1	6		8	3
				C
4				
		U,7		
U,5	U,6			
			C	C
			C	C

Als
Aus
Bal
Bri
Cze
Fra
Ger
Ita
Pol
Rhi
Rum
Rus
USA

"Fall 1937"

FRANCE: Attacks Britain in Als, 3:1. (1), D. Britain removes 2.
 FRANCE: Attacks Britain in Fra, 1:1. (2), X. Each side removes 6.
 GERMANY: Attacks Britain in Pol, 2:1. (1), D. Britain removes 9.

USA: Ger U.

FRANCE: Ger U.

BRITAIN: Cze U, loses

Pol U.

RUSSIA & GERMANY: Pol C.

"Spring 1938"

USA: Bri 3, Cze 5.
 FRANCE: Als 28.
 BRITAIN: Fra 8, Ger 6.
 RUSSIA: Fra 7, Ger 5.
 GERMANY: Als 3, Fra 11,
 Ger 10.

"Fall 1938"

FRANCE: Attacks USA, Russia,
 & Germany in Als, 2:1.
 (1), D. USA removes 1,
 Russia removes 8, & Ger-
 many removes 6.
 GERMANY: Attacks Russia in
 Ger, 2:1. (2), X. Rus-
 sia removes 5.

USA: Bri U, Cze U.
 FRANCE: Als C.
 BRITAIN: Fra U, Ger U.
 RUSSIA: Fra U.
 GERMANY: Fra U.

"Spring 1939"

USA: Fra 5, Rus 5.
 FRANCE: Cze 8, Fra 17,
 Ger 11.
 BRITAIN: Ger 1, Ita 5, Rus
 5, USA 5.
 RUSSIA: Ger 3, Ger 10, Rus 1.
 GERMANY: Fra 8, Ger 20.

"Fall 1939"

FRANCE: Attacks USA in Ger,
 3:1. (4), X. Each side
 removes 5.
 GERMANY: Attacks France in
 Ger, 2:1. (6), no change.
 USA: Fra U, Rus U.
 FRANCE: Cze U.
 BRITAIN: Ita U, Rus U, USA U.
 RUSSIA: Ger U.

"Spring 1940"

USA: Fra 2, Ger 10
 FRANCE: Bri 12, Cze 1, Fra 1,
 Ger 14, Ita 13, Rus 13.
 BRITAIN: Bri 18.
 RUSSIA: Cze 7, Ger 10.
 GERMANY: Bri 6, Fra 2, Ger
 12, Ita 6, Rus 6.

"Spring 1938"

	USA	Fra	Bri	Rus	Ger
Als	1	34		8	6
Aus					C
Bal				C	
Bri	7				
Cze	5		U,7		
Fra			8	7	11
Ger	U,5	U,6	6	5	10
Ita					
Pol				C	C
Rhi					C
Rum				C	
Rus					
USA					

"Spring 1939"

	USA	Fra	Bri	Rus	Ger
Als		C			
Aus					C
Bal				C	
Cze	U,5	8	U,7		
Fra	5	17	U,8	U,10	U,10
Ger	U,5	U,17	U,7	10	25
Ita			5		
Pol					C
Rhi					C
Rum				C	
Rus	5		5	1	
USA			5		
Bri	U,7				

"Spring 1940"

	USA	Fra	Bri	Rus	Ger
Als		C			
Aus					C
Bal				C	
Bri	U,7	12	18		6
Cze	U,5	U,9	U,8	7	
Fra	U,7	18	U,8	U,10	U,21
Ger	10	U,26	U,7	U,20	37
Ita		13	U,5		6
Pol				C	C
Rhi					C
Rum					
Rus	U,5	13	U,5		6
USA			U,5		

"Fall 1940"

FRANCE: Attacks Britain in Fra, 2:1. (1), D. Britain
 removes 8.
 FRANCE: Attacks Britain in Rus, 2:1. (2), X. Each side
 removes 5.
 FRANCE: Attacks Britain in Ger, 3:1. (4), X. Each side
 removes 7.

"Fall 1938"

	USA	Fra	Bri	Rus	Ger
Als		C			
Aus					C
Bal				C	
Bri	U,7				
Cze	U,5		U,7		
Fra			U,8	U,7	U,11
Ger	U,5	U,6	U,6		5
Ita					
Pol				C	C
Rhi					C
Rum				C	
Rus					
USA					

"Fall 1939"

	USA	Fra	Bri	Rus	Ger
Als		C			
Aus					C
Bal				C	
Cze	U,5	U,8	U,7		
Fra	U,5	17	U,8	U,10	U,19
Ger		U,12	U,7	U,10	25
Ita			U,5		
Pol				C	C
Rhi					C
Rum				C	
Rus	U,5		U,5	1	
USA			U,5		
Bri	U,7				

"Fall 1940"

	USA	Fra	Bri	Rus	Ger
Als		C			
Aus					C
Bal				C	
Bri	U,7	U,12	18		U,6
Cze	U,5	U,9	U,7	U,7	
Fra		18		U,10	U,21
Ger	U,10	U,19		U,20	
Ita		U,13			U,6
Pol				C	C
Rhi					C
Rum				C	
Rus	U,5	U,8			U,6
USA			U,5		

U. C.

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"Fall 1935"

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"Spring 1936"

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"Fall 1936"

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"Spring 1937"

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Ger 4, Rus 4.

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"Spring 1936"

"Fall 1937"

USA: Ger U.

"Fakl 1936"

"Spring 1938"

USA: Bri 5, Ger 3, Pol 3,
Rus 5.
FRANCE: Pol 10.
BRITAIN: Pol 10, Rus 4.
RUSSIA: Pol 14.
GERMANY: Bri 3, Ger 2,
Pol 10, Rus 3.

"Fall 1938"

RUSSIA: Attacks USA & France
in Pol, 1:1. (5), A.
Russia removes 26.
GERMANY: Attacks Britain in
Pol, 1:1., (2), X. Each
side removes 10.

USA: Bri U, Rus U.

FRANCE: Pol U.

GERMANY: Rus U.

"Spring 1939"

USA: Fra 2, Ger 11, Pol 2,
Rus 7.
FRANCE: Fra 2, Rus 5, USA 5.
BRITAIN: Pol 16.
RUSSIA: Rus 14.
GERMANY: Bri 3, Fra 7, Ger
10, Ita 5, Rus 3.

"Spring 1939"

	USA	Fra	Bri	Rus	Ger
Als		C			
Aus					C
Bal				C	
Bri	U,5				U,11
Cze					C
Fra	2	2			7
Ger	U,23		8		23
Ita					5
Pol	5	U,10	16		6
Rhi					C
Rum				C	
Rus	U,12	5	U,10	14	U,10
USA		5	5		

"Fall 1939"

USA: Pol U, Ita U.
FRANCE: Rus U, USA U.
BRITAIN: Pol U.
GERMANY: Fra U.

"Spring 1937"

	USA	Fra	Bri	Rus	Ger
Als		7			
Aus					C
Bal				C	
Bri					5
Cze					7
Fra					
Ger	9	11	8		11
Ita					
Pol	5		5	12	
Rhi					C
Rum				C	
Rus			9	2	4
USA					USA

"Spring 1938"

	USA	Fra	Bri	Rus	Ger
Als		C			
Aus					C
Bal				C	
Bri	5				U,8
Cze					C
Fra					
Ger	U,12		8		13
Ita					
Pol	3	10	10	16	16
Rhi					C
Rum				C	
Rus	5		U,13		7
USA					USA

"Fall 1939"

	USA	Fra	Bri	Rus	Ger
Als		C			
Aus					C
Bal				C	
Bri	U,5				U,11
Cze					C
Fra	2	2			U,7
Ger	U,23		8		23
Ita					U,5
Pol	U,5	U,10	U,16		6
Rhi					C
Rum				C	
Rus	U,12	U,5	U,13	14	U,10
USA		U,5			USA

"Spring 1940"

USA: Bri 5, Fra 3, Ger 6,
Ita 5, Rus 5.
FRANCE: Bri 5, Ita 6,
Pol 5.
BRITAIN: Fra 5, Ita 5,
Rus 3, USA 5.

"Fall 1937"

	USA	Fra	Bri	Rus	Ger
Als		C			
Aus					C
Bal				C	
Bri					U,5
Cze					C
Fra					
Ger	U,9		8		11
Ita					
Pol				2	
Rhi					C
Rum				C	
Rus			U,9		4
USA					USA

"Fall 1938"

	USA	Fra	Bri	Rus	Ger
Als		C			
Aus					C
Bal				C	
Bri	U,5				U,8
Cze					C
Fra	2				
Ger	U,12		8		13
Ita					
Pol	3	U,10			6
Rhi					C
Rum					
Rus	U,5		U,13		U,7
USA					USA

"Spring 1940"

	USA	Fra	Bri	Rus	Ger
Als		C			
Aus					C
Bal				C	
Bri	U,10	5		7	U,13
Cze					C
Fra	5		5	7	U,11
Ger	U,29		8	16	31
Ita	5	6	5		U,5
Pol	U,5	U,15	U,16		16
Rhi					C
Rum				C	
Rus	U,17	U,5	U,16		U,18
USA		U,5	5		USA

RUSSIA: Bri 7, Fra 7,
Ger 16.
GERMANY: Bri 2, Fra 4, Ger
8, Pol 10, Rus 8.

"Fall 1940"

BRITAIN: Attacks France in Rus, 3:1. (4), X. Each side removes 5.
 GERMANY: Attacks USA in Ger, 1:1. (1), D. USA removes 29.
 GERMANY: Attacks USA in Bri, 1:1. (1), D. USA removes 10.
 GERMANY: Attacks USA in Fra, 2:1. (2), X. Each side removes 5.
 GERMANY: Attacks Britain in Pol, 1:1. (6), A. Germany removes 16.
 GERMANY: Attacks Britain in Rus, 1:1. (4), no change.
 USA: Ita U; loses Bri U, Ger U.
 FRANCE: Bri U, Ita U; loses Rus U.
 BRITAIN: Fra U, Ita U, USA U.
 RUSSIA: Bri U, Fra U, Ger U.

"Fall 1940"

	USA	Fra	Bri	Rus	Ger
Als		C			
Aus					C
Bal				C	
Bri		U,5		U,7	U,13
Cze					C
Fra			U,5	U,7	U,6
Ger			8	U,16	31
Ita	U,5	U,6	U,5		U,5
Pol	U,5	U,15	U,16		
Rhi					C
Rum				C	
Rus	U,17		U,11		U,18
USA		U,5	U,5		

	1935	1936	1937	1938	1939	1940
USA (a)	0	0	4	11	14	6
FRANCE (c)	0	0	4	7	11	13
BRITAIN (b)	0	0	4	4	7	14
RUSSIA (h)	5	8	8	8	8	18
GERMANY (d)	4	10	13	16	18	18

The dominant feature of this game was an Anglo-American rivalry, presumably brought to SPI from the Sniffen Court Bridge Club. Germany collaborated with Britain in pursuing this policy, and as a consequence tied for first place with Russia.

V. - b (6 April 1973)

"Spring 1935"

USA (Jones): Rhi 2.
 FRANCE (Fulbright): Als 4.
 BRITAIN (Neiger): Bal 5,
 Pol 4.
 RUSSIA (Boardman): Bal 5,
 Pol 1.
 GERMANY (Hener): Bal 5,
 Rhi 7.

"Spring 1935"

	USA	Fra	Bri	Rus	Ger
Als		4			
Aus					
Bal			5	5	5
Bri					
Cze					
Fra					
Ger					
Ita					
Pol			4	1	
Rhi	2				7
Rum					
Rus					
USA					

"Fall 1935"

	USA	Fra	Bri	Rus	Ger
Als		4			
Aus					
Bal				C	C
Bri					C
Cze					
Fra					
Ger					
Ita					
Pol			4	1	
Rhi	2				7
Rum					
Rus					
USA					

"Fall 1935"

GERMANY: Attacks USA in Rhi, 3:1. (6), no change.
 BRITAIN: Bal C.
 RUSSIA: Bal C.
 GERMANY: Bal C.

"Spring 1936"

	USA	Fra	Bri	Rus	Ger
Als		5			
Aus			5		11
Bal			C	C	C
Bri					
Cze					5
Fra					
Ger		5			
Ita					
Pol			6	4	
Rhi	6				7
Rum				5	
Rus			5		
USA					

"Fall 1936"

	USA	Fra	Bri	Rus	Ger
Als		0			
Aus					C
Bal			C	C	C
Bri					
Cze					C
Fra					
Ger		8,5			
Ita					
Pol			U,6	4	
Rhi	C				C
Rum				C	
Rus			U,5		

"Spring 1936"

USA: Rhi 4.
 FRANCE: Als 1, Ger 5.
 BRITAIN: Aus 5, Pol 2, Rus 5.
 RUSSIA: Pol 3, Rum 5.
 GERMANY: Aus 11, Cze 5.

"Fall 1936"

GERMANY: Attacks Britain in Aus, 2:1. (1), D. Britain removes 5.

USA

USA: Rhi C.

FRANCE: Als C, Ger U.

BRITAIN: Pol U, Rus U.

RUSSIA: Rum C.

GERMANY: Aus C, Cze C, Rhi C. Aus

Germany 14, Britain 9,

France 8, Russia 8, USA 3. Bri

"Spring 1937"

USA: Pol 4, USA 2.

FRANCE: Ger 1, Pol 2, Rus 5.

BRITAIN: Bri 4, Pol 5, Rus 6.

RUSSIA: Rus 10.

GERMANY: Bri 5, Fra 5,

Ger 10.

"Spring 1937"

USA Fra Bri Rus Ger

C

C

4

C

U, 6

C

2

C

5

U, 11

10

USA

"Fall 1937"

USA Fra Bri Rus Ger

C

C

4

C

U, 6

C

2

C

U, 11

5

U, 11

USA

"Fall 1937"

RUSSIA: Attacks France in

Rus, 2:l. (3), X. Each

side removes 5.

USA: Pol U.

GERMANY: Bri U, Fra U.

Germany 16, Britain 9,

France 8, Russia 8, USA 5.

"Spring 1938"

USA: Ger 9, Pol 2.*

FRANCE: Pol 3, Rus 7.

BRITAIN: Fra 5, Ita 5,

Pol 2, Rus 7.

RUSSIA: Bri 5, Fra 5, Ger 7.

GERMANY: Pol 26.

"Spring 1938"

USA Fra Bri Rus Ger

C

C

C

3

5

U, 5

U, 6

5

U, 13

4

26

C

9

7

U, 18

USA

"Fall 1938"

USA Fra Bri Rus Ger

C

C

C

3

U, 5

U, 5

U, 5

U, 6

U, 5

U, 13

4

26

C

U, 9

U, 7

U, 19

USA

"Fall 1938"

BRITAIN: Attacks USA in Rus,

2:l. (5), no change.

GERMANY: Attacks Britain in

Pol, 2:l. (5), no change.

USA: Ger U, Rus U.

FRANCE: Pol U, Rus U.

BRITAIN: Fra U, Ita U,

RUSSIA: Bri U, Fra U, Ger U.

Russia 18, Germany 16, Bri-

tain 14, France 12, USA 11.

"Spring 1939"

USA: Bri 11, Ger 11.

FRANCE: Fra 5, Pol 4, Rus 3.

BRITAIN: Bri 2, Pol 19.

RUSSIA: Ger 13, Pol 1.

GERMANY: Ger 14, Pol 14.

"Spring 1939"

USA Fra Bri Rus Ger

C

C

C

11

5

U, 5

U, 5

U, 5

U, 5

U, 6

C

U, 6

U, 9

U, 32

5

40

C

C

U, 9

U, 10

U, 18

USA

"Fall 1939"

USA Fra Bri Rus Ger

C

C

C

U, 11

5

U, 5

U, 5

U, 5

U, 5

U, 6

C

U, 9

U, 10

U, 18

USA

"Fall 1939"

BRITAIN: Attacks USA in Pol, 5:l. (5), D. USA removes 6.

BRITAIN: Attacks USA in Rus, 2:l. (6), no change.

GERMANY: Attacks France in Ger, 3:l. (1), D. France

removes 6.

GERMANY: Attacks France in Pol, 4:l. (3), D. France

removes 9.

* - Actually, the USA gets only 16 PFs on this turn.

USA: Bri U, Loses Pol U.

FRANCE: Loses Ger U, Pol U.

Russia 18, Germany 16, Bri-
tain 14, USA 14, France 8.

"Spring 1940"

"Fall 1940"

USA	Fra	Bri	Rus	Ger	USA	Fra	Bri	Rus	Ger
Als	C				Als	C			
Aus				C	Aus				C
Bal		C	C	C	Bal		C	C	0
Bri U,15	8		U,5	U,10	Bri U,15	U,8			U,10
Cze				0	Cze				C
Fra 7		U,9	U,5	U,6	Fra U,7		U,9	U,5	U,6
Ger U,28			U,29		Ger U,28			U,29	
Ita	5	U,9		5	Ita	U,5	U,9		U,5
Pol 5	5	U,48	12	63	Pol	U,5	U,48	12	63
Rhi C				C	Rhi C				C
Rum			C		Rum			C	
Rus U,9	U,11	U,18		20	Rus U,9	U,11	U,18		U,20
USA		5			USA		U,5		

"Spring 1940"

USA: Bri 4, Fra 7, Ger 8,
Pol 5.

FRANCE: Bri 8, Ita 5, Pol
5, Rus 1.

BRITAIN: Fra 4, Ita 4,
Pol 16, USA 5.

RUSSIA: Ger 9, Pol 7.

GERMANY: Bri 5, Fra 1, Ita
5, Pol 23, Rus 20.

"Fall 1940"

USA: Attacks Russia in Bri, 3:1. (2), D. Russia removes 5.

FRANCE: Attacks USA in Pol, 1:1. (1), D. USA removes 5.

GERMANY: Attacks Britain & France in Pol, 1:1 (3), no change.

USA: Fra U.

FRANCE: Bri U, Ita U, Pol U.

BRITAIN: USA U.

RUSSIA: Loses Bri U.

GERMANY: Ita U, Rus U.

FINAL SCORE: Germany 19, USA 18, France 16,
Britain 16, Russia 16.

This game was played by consecutive placement of PPs.

73.2b - PRESS RELEASES

EDINBORO (January 20, 1937): The Trans-Caucasian government declared today that the world-famous Trans-Caucasia was officially laying claim to Memel. This claim may seem a bit amiss, but since the Kingdom of the Volga Bulgars (Kama Bulgaria) does not exist and advanced Trans-Caucasian telescopic instruments have sighted the Volga, the say that they have a legal claim. The claim was disputed by Bulgaria (s.c.), whose people are related to the Volga Bulgars. The Trans-Caucasians gave in only after the Bulgarians threatened to send their Q 13 'Ditchdigger' tank battalions down to the Hellespont to dig out the Dodecanese Islands currently bottling up the Turkish Fleet in the Sea of Marmora.

• GLOUCESTER (February 1, 1937): The Bessarabians finally breached the Last Straw last night. Unfortunately, they came out on the wrong side. They had overrun $\frac{1}{2}$ of Bessarabia before they realized their mistake and turned around.

PARIS (February 2, 1937, Central Rumanian Association Broadcasting System): "Hello, again everyone, this is Howard Coselcu, speaking of Diplomacy and the Origins of WW II. Europe is puzzled by the nasty notes that have been emanating from the Champs Elysees in the past several weeks. Perhaps you have an explanation for this Mon-sieur le Twit."

"(Jeez, talk about the Ugly Rumanian) Well Howard, its like this. The intelligence of our Intelligence was insulted by Herr Katzoff. He knows, as do some others, of what I speak. Do dername 'Zimmerman' ging a bell?"

"Then there is the matter of the attempted suppression and prior censorship of our noted literary figure, Jean le Carre by the British government. M. le Carre assures M. Chamberlain that his coming novel was to touch but lightly on the British barbarity in suppressing the war, whose name escapes me at the moment.

"I must point out that Russia sends the politest ultimata I've ever received."

BATUM (March 3, 1937, HAINNA): Hash Kakabble, rabble-rousing leader of the Young Kurds, today raised the rabble. In a fire-breathing speech delivered before the Trans-caucasian-French Friendship in Freedomia Federation (FFFFF, or in French, FAFFF, in

Kurdish these initials form the word describing an unnatural act performed with an underage but consenting camel in the presence of a 3rd class Druid; while this word is too obscene even for the pages of FREEDONIA, it does account for the popularity of this Federation in Batum, not to mention Druids. Where was I? Oh yes. Note to reader: ignore these comments in parentheses and start the sentence over. Ready? Begin.) he not only set his beard on fire but accused the government of selling out to the accursed Four and One Half Kingdoms. "Only one of the Batum 43,697 has been avenged! Fans of HAINNA and CRABS will surely remember from 72.19d how the cowardly Jean le Carre just stopped writing. He stranded the gallant 17th Underwater Armored Division outside the gates of Polykarpolis, knowing full well that their time line was coming to an end. The people and myself demand to know what will be done about this!"

BATUM (Later that day, HAINNA): Director Stanley Polack of More Gutsy Movies was seen leafing through back issues of Trashy Tales, Unlikely Stories, and the Journal of Organic Chemistry for ideas for his upcoming movie. "Uh-uhh! I'm not going to touch either war! My movies are bad enough, but those Hank's confuse things even more." Suddenly -

"Knock-knock."

"Who's there?"

"Hash."

"Great. Slide it under the door."

"No, the other Hash."

"Hash who?"

"Gesundheit. Goddamit! Stop that! This is the fire-breathing rabble-rouser Hash Kababble!"

"Hash Kababble Who?"

"Hash Kababble open the door or I'll blow it off its FFFFF (in Kurdish) hinges."

"Please. There are children reading this."

"So play the William Tell Overture and they'll think its art. Open up."

At this point, M. Polack opened the door. Kababble rode in the room perched on the shoulders of 33 Druids armed with stone axes. M. Polack was convinced to reopen the filming of the Four and Three Ninths plus e exp pi i minus 6.02×10^{23} erg-joules per cubic fortnight kingdoms. Among the many arguments that Kababble used to convince him was the old Kurdish saying, "Stone axes leave a bad impression on your mind."

BROOKLYN (March 4, 1937, URRP): A stone bummer, would you say?

POLYKARPOLIS (March 4, 1937, CRABS): His Semi-Holiness expressed puzzlement over the entry of Druids into the war, as did General Anagnostopolous and Emperor Sextus Frequens. Queen Tanna Hanna shuddered and cursed the gods, for it was rumored that she alone knew the reason for the entrance of the Druids and she wasn't talking.

GLASGOW (March 20, 1937): During the past weeks, heated arguments were raised by Flanders-Wallonia, Rhineland-Palatinate and the Netherlands over the division of the Maastricht area of Holland. By yesterday, the place looked like a chessboard (I will not attempt to describe the idiocies that followed, but the Netherlands opened with P-K4). Today, the two Annexed Allies got sick of the whole thing and launched a combined assault across the entire area. It was a quick and easy conquest and while squabbling over the division of the area, the two nations decided to merge, and are now known as the Kingdom of the Two Sissies.

DUBLIN (March 31, 1937): The Montenegrin government-in-exile was set up here today with its main objective being the reconquest of Montenegro and the overthrow of the Septinsular Emperor Aurelio.

MEANWHILE (March 31, 1937; from Dulcigno): The overthrow of Montenegro was made official today as Emperor Aurelio of the Septinsular Empire proclaimed the Kingdom of Moronia, to be ruled by Aurelio's bastard nephew, King Evan the First (and hopefully the Last).

TRANSOXIANA (April 10, 1937): On this, the second anniversary of The War, Trans-Caucasian officials were shocked when they read in the Kishinev Gazette that the Bes-sarabians were also attacking the Russians. Therefore, the entire Trans-Caucasian army is being transferred to the Caspian (if they can get past the Border Guards). From there they would be convoyed across by the Trans-Caucasian Caspian Fleet and begin an assault on the Great Wall of China.

BELFAST (April 19, 1937): The launching of the massive Bulgarian Baltic Fleet was delayed by the appearance of Queen Melanie's twelve isles at this port (Memel). They sure get around, don't they? A damper was thrown on the proceedings when a young man in the crowd stepped forward, claiming to be King Elmo of Kama Bulgaria. A further damper was thrown when he proved correct.

LONDON (May 1, 1937): The latest game-craze in the Colonies is 'Origins of World War 1½', designed by J. F. Donneybrook and published by Babylon Hall (if you don't think that's original, ask Raymond Heuer or Alex Katzoff). The game attempts to simulate the confusion that preceded the pandemonium that is World War 1½. "It's as confusing as the real thing," says Evan Jones, resident of the Bellvue Mental Hospital's Fruitcake Ward and veteran of rubber rooms all over the world. The game operated on a similar system to that of B.M.'s previous game on the period preceding a mythical war of the future (Origins of World War 2). Each player represents one of the seven countries involved in the political conflict before and during World War 1½. During the game players strive to acquire "Misunderstandings" and "Controls" in enemy as well as other friendly countries plus disputed areas, such as Maastricht.

LONDON (May 31, 1937): Postal play of OWWOAOH has begun in earnest. The oldest 'zine, John Boredman's Freistark, celebrated its first anniversary today. The following is an excerpt from Boredman's 'Tyranny of Trivia' column in the anniversary issue: "In this, our second issue, another game of OWWOAOH will begin. The Trans-Caucasian, Bessarabian, Rhineland-Palatinatian, Flanders-Wallonian and Septinsular players were all informed last week; the Montenegrin player will be informed as soon as war breaks out, as per the rules of the game; the Russian player will not be informed."

DOVER (June 49, 1937): There is nothing Herb Barents can do about these press releases.

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THE MINISTRY OF MISCELLANY

Those Americans who want to meet their obligation to help rebuild Vietnam can now do so by sending money to the Bach Mai Hospital Emergency Relief Fund, Medical Aid for Indochina, 140 6th St., Cambridge, Mass. 02142. This money will go to help rebuild the largest hospital in Vietnam, which was utterly destroyed by US bombers on 19 and 22 December 1972. This fund is sponsored by 4 members of Congress, 3 bishops, 2 Nobel Laureates, a retired US general, and Dr. Charles Mayo III of the noted medical family. I am sending \$28, which amounts to a self-tax of 10% on the entry fees in the new games 1973BB, 1973BC, 1973BQ, and 1973BS.

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Lenard Lakofka has moved since the address published on p. 12 was printed; he is now at 644 West Briar Place, Chicago, Ill. 60657. The front cover of his Liaisons Dangereuses #43 is a comic strip done by someone with the initials "S. P.", featuring the adventures of the super-hero Claud, alias Fred Oopoopookewski, mild-mannered garbage-man.

Also in LD #43, Larry Blandin opens fire on the Secret Master of IDA, Edi Birsan, and exposes him as - horrors! - a New Yorker. The "Second City" has never been more second than it is now. And when one of the subjects of Richard Daley and his goons says "New York politics are corrupt and undemocratic", satire is silent before such sweeping asininity.

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The May 1973 issue of National Lampoon contains complete instructions on how to cheat at Monopoly, including extra money, hotels, and space instructions, and a spare sheet you can slip into the rulebook to make your ploys legal. You can cross your opponents' monopolies by a bridge, require him to break them up under the Clayton Anti-Trust Act, slap a label reading "St. Mark's Place" on his square when you land there and then observe that no deed exists for such a street, slip in a third dark blue space and deed called "Steel Pier", call a railroad strike which cancels railroad rent, or, in extremis, shift the goal of the game to be losing all your money first. You can even sit out the rest of the game in Jail with a "Life Sentence" while your opponents run around the board paying rents to you.

73.3a - PRESS RELEASES

FREEDONIA: As the threat of war loomed on Europe's horizon, President Rufus T. Firefly prepared to begin a journey for peace to the capitals of the endangered continent. In spite of his determination to go, his close friend Mrs. Teasdale had her doubts.

"Rufus, you can't go! Who will run the country?" she asked.

"You run the country," he replied. "Let your maid run the country. Better yet, let the country run down. I need a vacation."

"Is that any way for the President of Freedonia to think?"

"Who needs to think? 'Become President and the world is yours,' you said. Well, I'm off to see my investment. Where's my toothbrush?"

Meanwhile, in the office of Sylvanian ambassador Trentino, the diplomat was interviewing his two spies, Pinky and Chicolini.

"Firefly is going to visit the capitals of Europe," he observed, "and it is your task to see that he creates embarrassments in every one of them."

"Eh, that's a no problem," said Chicolini, "we foula him up good."

"Good."

"Yeah, we make him look as stupid as you."

"At any rate," continued an irritated Trentino, "Firefly has placed an advertisement in the paper for a valet and a chauffeur, and I've landed those jobs for you two."

"Eh, you no like us as spies?" said Chicolini, as Pinky puffed up his face. "You fire us?"

"No, no! You'll go along with Firefly as his chauffeur and valet and create incidents. Now, then..." The diplomat picked up a piece of paper to read it, whereupon Pinky played tic-tac-toe on Trentino's cravat, then cut it off with a pair of scissors, unnoticed by the Sylvanian.

"You will report to Firefly at the airfield, where he'll take off for his trip," the ambassador went on. "Good luck," he said, extending a hand to each. Chicolini shook hands, while Pinky extended a wet paint-brush, which Trentino unwittingly clasped.

At the airport, Firefly arrived wearing a pith helmet and carrying an umbrella. Walking up to the plane, he tripped and fell. An attendant expressed concern for the umbrella, but Firefly scoffed. "It's a genuine Chamberlain," he said, "you can't break it."

Again walking toward the plane, Firefly asked about the craft, a Ford Trimotor fitted with skis. "It's the best we could get, sir," answered an aid. "It has three props," he said excitedly.

"Three props?" answered Firefly. "You expect me to put on a show with only three props? Let me talk to the producer. We'll never get to Broadway with this shabby set..."

Just then Pinky arrived driving Firefly's personal motorcycle, with Chicolini riding in the sidecar. The President of Freedonia stood in the path of the oncoming vehicle, waiting for it to stop. It didn't, and Firefly jumped out of the way just in time, as Pinky roared up the ramp into the plane. Seconds later, Chicolini emerged.

"I suppose that madman is my chauffeur," said Firefly.

"Eh, that's a hitting it right on the nail," replied Chicolini.

"And who are you?"

"Eh, Ima you personal varlet."

"Oh, a gentleman's gentleman, eh?"

"Watcha what you say," said Chicolini, raising his fists.

Just then Firefly's entourage approached and boarded the plane. The last to get on was a very attractive redhead.

"Eh, whosa that?" asked Chicolini.

"Why, that's my Secretary of War," replied Firefly.

"How come she Secretary of War?"

"Are you kidding? She puts up a better fight than any of my other secretaries."

And on that note the plane took off, and the journey for peace had begun.

DANZIG (Freistadt Release 10 Mar. 1935): Chris le Rot reached the high sea today and subsequently encountered a group of Italian naval officers searching for Brooklyn.

Of course, Chris was no help, but asked the way to the Balkan Massif. One of the ~~wops~~ Italians mumbled something about "Da Powderkeg a Europe", to which our hero replied:

"The Balkan Massiff; you know, the four and a half kingdoms."

"I gotta hef a pastrami sandwich, how'z dat?"

LEIPZIG (25 August 1935): Le Rot and his two companions, Wayne B. Miller and John Broadus Jones, savagely rowed their way across the Atlantic, pursued by a quintet of Italian Brooklynites. As Le Rot sails between them, Miller, a Texan descendant of a Union deserter, has not yet even seen Jones, an unfortunate relative of Evan McLendon Jones.

Provisions are running low; all that is left is a half a pastrami sandwich. The Italians are catching up fast! Suddenly, a large island looms up between the two groups; our heroes are carried away on a 30-foot wave while the Italians unwittingly swim ashore. The last thing that Wayne heard was a woman's voice, saying, "Get rid of the Wops, we've got to dam up the Kerch Straits."

BRESLAU (31 August 1935): Le Rot and his buddies, John and Wayne, were carried by that wave as far as Cape Katzoff in the middle of the Atlantic Ocean (actually, it was a series of twelve waves, but they don't know that, so we'll keep it a secret). Anywho, our boys had just left the Cape, after stocking up with a new supply of pastrami sandwiches, when strange things began to happen once again. Miller spotted in the distance a ship slightly larger than the Barry Goldwater. Someone was in it.

"He looks Dutch if yah ask me," said Wayne.

Eventually the boat got close enough for vocal contact.

"HELLO. I'M Hreb DaREnts and i'm BRITish."

"No you're not; you're Russian, Turkish, Dutch, or any combination thereof," retorted Jones.

"Go back to 1971EC where you belong," said Le Rot.

"Or at least 72.26 or 72.28t," chimed in Wayne.

"You're not writing your press releases with my typewriter; I type badly enough as is."

And with that, he flew away.

SAARBRUCKEN (10 September 1935): Apparently, there was something sacred about her-Bret BaREnts; shortly after his departure our lads were struck by a terrible gewitter, driving them all into a state of unconsciousness. They were jostled about between timelines, finally returning to their own. Now they appeared on some subterranean river, gently floating downstream.

SAARBRUCKEN (Later that year): Our boys finally awoke from that seemingly endless sleep that had overcome them.

"Why doesn't that BaREnts go back to Zeeland?" muttered Chris.

"I thought we were sailing for the edge of the world?"

"So that's where we are; somehow I never pictured it this way."

"Mmmaybe we're in -- Hell," said Wayne.

"Nonsense; does this look anything like Evan's house?"

"Ah, these press releases are shitty -- let's get a transfer!"

"To where?"

"How about 73.2b? They've got a fun war going on there."

"Nah, we gotta stay here; we got a responsibility to our readers(?) and Robert of Abalone."

"Well, I think we should at least give it a try."

"Oh, all right," And with that, Chris pulled the plugs out of each of their boats.

"I'll see you guys at the complaints department."

TRIER (10 Dezember 1935): "Can I help you?" The Complaints lady was one of the prettiest girls that Chris had ever seen, but she was not at all attractive.

"Yes, we'd like to be transfered from 73.2a to 73.2b."

"Oh, you're afraid of Bob Lipton?"

"NO, it's not that, we were just bored. We had a little run-in with Hreb.stneraB, but then everything slowed down."

"Hmmm, that can be painful. But 73.2b is chock-a-block-full of WW1½ releases. You'll have to see the program director; step this way."

KIEL (Listen RBL): Another report came out of Kiel today. Brost has been seized! Though still level, the city was found filled with creatures from 1971EC who were hiding from the Pollutidareans. Among them was the infamous RBL, a refugee from the latest Lunagoon. When the Teutons learned that RBL was to infest this timeline also, they were shocked, but soon recovered their composure. Soon the hunt was on, led by (yes) the 1st German Saber-Tooth Neiger Patrol.

BRESLAU (Sis, Boom, and Bah): Colonel David Isby, commander of the 1st German Saber-Tooth Neiger Patrol has brought in the notorious RBL. When questioned by Count Alexis all he had to say was, "Trbh nuyt hhgo asdfghj fui!" This was found to be a quote from Herb Barents' How Not to Write English. Translated into German this is 'Der Trbh nuytet hhgolic die Asdfghj des Fuis'

KOLN (SB&B): Kaiser Fadolp Hither has officially expelled RBL from Germany. He says that when RBL became dissatisfied with certain gaming organizations in Germany, he started his own called 'Norg'. Not only that, but in the process, he has infiltrated the country with 8x10 glossies of himself playing strip-poker with the cast of Hair (and losing, yet) plus simply too many 'Bob ist kein Slob' buttons. In addition, he has a mob of disciples, each determined to kiss his right pinky toe. The Kaiser realizes that his deportation may touch off a rebellion, but the sanity of the country is at stake. RBL is being deported back to France where hopefully, (or, to Evan, it is to be hoped) he will stay and do no harm.

BERLIN (April 20-2, 1973): If RBL makes any further efforts to pollute this here timeline, I shall be forced to take harsh action.

UIM (You Asked For It RBL): I assuming that RBL has made further efforts to pollute this timeline, so I am taking harsh action. First of all, anyone wearing a 'Bob's No Slob' is a liar. Secondly, he carries grudges to far. Once I was playing Nuclear War with and I accidentally called him 'Fatso'. The next thing I knew, 25,000,000 of my people died due to a super-germ, and another 25,000,000 mysteriously vaporized! And of course we all know that he and Evan are the best of friends...

PARIS, FRANCE (IDUNNO): The French Foreign Ministry announced the following allocation of its 1939 PFs: Baltic States 87, Britain 92, Germany 329, Italy 114, Poland 92, Rumania 93, Russia 58, and USA 691. When told that France only had ten PFs to move, the Minister replied: "Be all you can be. Cheat."

JOKESTER (LAUGH): Label on a bottle of sleeping pills: "Take dese and doze."

1973BQ - PRESS RELEASE

ANKARA: This city is reportedly in a state of riot as the citizenry learned that the agreement of 1900 with the Russians has been broken. In a complete reversal of form, the Turkish government has ordered troops to march on the city of Sevastopol and to occupy the critical Black Sea. Students from the University of Farouk are attempting to overthrow the present government and restore the 1900 agreement. When the student leader was asked by this reporter his opinion of the present crisis, he responded with a reusing "Farouk U.!"

THE MINISTRY OF MISCELLANY

"Several weeks ago, we saw a research report which described an ingenious device, a small polished brass phallus attached to a motor, which is to replace male mice in experiments on the sexual behavior of female mice. Why male mice were found inadequate to the purpose was not explained, but the motorized appliance served so well that, given proper timing of its reciprocations, the willing lady mice were induced to undergo all the outward signs of pregnancy.

"We will not speculate on the implications of this advance in knowledge, but if the march of science is as inexorable as it is cracked up to be, some of us are in for a lot of dull evenings." - Sheldon Noviek, Environment, May 1971

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According to the Staff of 23 March 1973, a group of Alaskans headed by a real estate "developer" named Joe Vogler is trying to get Alaska to secede as an independent nation. For Vogler, the last straw was a US court decision delaying construction of the Alaskan Pipeline. The new nation would lease land to the US for military bases.

1971EC - PRESS RELEASES

HYDUNDERABAD (IDUNNC): After the crushing defeat suffered at the hands of the Hydunderabadians, Robert of Abalone, retreating his forces through a pass in the Gonnalaya Mountains met Marcus Gelber, who was retreating through the Vosges after having been defeated by John N.

"Why, Marcus," said Robert, "What are you doing here?"

"John N has seceded from Phumpha, and has just beaten us in a battle. Someone put buttons on all our swords."

"The Hydunderabadians just beat us. Someone put silly putty in all our catapults. We're pulling out now." He put on a button reading "Hydunderabad for the Hydunderabadians".

"Well, we'd better get out of here quick. The rebels will be here any moment."

"Rebels? I'm worried about those Hydunderabadians."

"How did they get to France?"

"France? This is India."

"It can't be. We just - is France north or south of Phumpha?"

"I don't know. Do you mean -?"

"Yes."

"We'd better not say anything about this to anyone. We're out of Hydunderabad, John'll rejoin Phumpha, and everyone will be happy."

"Yes."

HYDUNDERABAD (URRP): Pandit the Bandit, leader of the Peristaltic Movement, today announced that a band of foreign mercenaries imported by the Maharajah had been decisively defeated and driven out of the country. "Not all the might and power of the infamous Phumphan Phoreign Phorces can support that decadent tyrant against the aroused forces of the people of Hydunderabad!" he told 13 guerrillas and 35 reporters in his mountain camp just north of the village of Clogpore.

HYDUNDERABAD (URRP): "The mercenary forces of international subversion have been crushed, annihilated, exterminated, liquidated, and made to run for their lives," said Maharajah Kamasutra IX from the balcony of his third best palace. The absolute ruler of this small Indian state told 13 peasants and 35 reporters that the Phumphan Phoreign Phorces, imported to aid the rebel leader Pandit the Bandit, had been vanquished by his personal bodyguard. "The sacred rights of legitimacy, property, and lawncorder have been vindicated in Hydunderabad," he concluded to tumultuous cheers.

LONDON, GREAT BRITAIN (IDUNNO): A question was raised in the House of Commons today. The Baronet of Ruddigore asked:

"What is the meaning of this tunnel that our noble Pollutidarean allies are constructing from their magnificent domain to Albion's fair shores? I note that when such acts have previously occurred, they have been followed by the rapid disappearance of the local population."

In reply, War Minister Churchill explained that His Majesty's Government had just rejected Pollutidar's rejection of His Majesty's rejection of Pollutidar's rejection of His Majesty's note concerning the disappearance of Mr. Chamberlain. The representative from Ruddigore then asked if it might not just be simpler to forget the whole thing.

"Not at all," answered Mr. Churchill. "In fact, this is keeping things interesting. In any case, there is no need to worry about being eaten. There is too much tar and salt in British cooking for any method save boiling for five hours to be used, and the resulting concoction is not very healthful. In the meantime, we are putting a ban on importation and exportation of Greek food."

WOODMERE, L. I. (From the Offices of Kinney, Lipschitz, & Boringman, Synthesists): We regret to announce that our bi-weekly reports on timeline DIP-1971-EC will be slower in coming. Due to the recent interference between the various timelines, focusing is becoming harder than ever. We feel that we can send in reports every third week, although this cannot long continue, as the whole segment of timelines are approaching non-reality. (Note Phumpha's recent defeat of Hydunderabad; even though Hydunderabad is ridiculously weak, Phumpha's chances of defeating it approach within sigma of zero.) We feel that soon it will be impossible to find DIP-1971-EC at all. Do not be dismayed though; this means that there will be no more Phumpha press releases from this line.

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1. United States Post Office (Pennsylvania Station), Dead Letter Office. Manuscript mailed on March 26, 1915, without requisite 2 cents postage attached.

"ON THE CAUSES OF THE GREAT WAR or LAST TANGO IN DAMASCUS"

Our story opens on the estate of Gaia Matitch, in Obkenovatz, half concealed in the middle of a wooded plain, where the river makes a great bend. Seemingly under water, from the heights of the Bosnian mountains, lay the village with its white swollen towers and thin minarets. Elizabeth is picking endives in the field, her sumptuous body glowing in the blazen sun. "Dobar dan, gospodine!", she greets two travelers as they pass, anxious to use the only Serbian words she has learned in her five days on Uncle Gaia's farm. Elizabeth's youthfulness appears in sharp contrast to this rugged untamed country, her supple skin and newly tanned body, looks to be naked as the noon sun reflects off her chenille shorts, and does not fail to invite the attention of the local townspeople. Voyslav Petronievich, aged 17, a half-emptied bottle of rackia in his hand, is the most expressive of his feelings towards this young English lass.

At the meehana, or village inn, he toasts her with brash familiarities, hitherto-unheard by her virgin English ears. She is offended, yet intrigued by his conduct. Thus, they soon become friends, and he a frequent visitor to Gaia's house, since in Serbia it is the highest honor for a stranger to visit one's home.

This Serbian hospitality to foreigners impressed Elizabeth, or "Neboysha"*, as Voyslav called her, for reasons only knowable to one who knew her very well, and she looked forward to Sunday, when Papa (Brigadier Smythe) and Mama were due to arrive, following the Centennial celebration on their Grasmere estate...

FOOTNOTE: * Neboysha: a precarious hollow plank footbridge on floating logs led between half-submerged abundantly leaved willow trees to a narrow strip of land not more than ten feet wide and two hundred yards long.

2. His Majesty's Official Gazette, September 30, 1901.

SUBJECT: Carbon Steel Bars, 5/16" thick, imported from France - Complaints of Dumping

A complaint was received on March 22, 1901, from the Falkland Falcon Farm and Fal-lalery Foundary, Ltd., Falkland Islands, that carbon steel bars, 5/16" thick, from France are being sold at less than fair value within the meaning of the Royal Anti-Dump-ing Act of 1821, in said Crown Colony.

signed; Snyderlough Whyplash
Chief Commissioner
H. M. Customs and Excise

3. Raynaud Weekly Commodity Summary, October 12, 1901.

FROZEN FALCON BELLIES:

Threats of a dumping investigation into carbon steel bars used in the con-struction of falcon roosts, falcons, and fallals and imported from France into the Falk-land Islands had the effect of bringing sharp declines to cash falcon belly markets where losses ranged to £10.00 in two days.

BUDAPEST-AN-DER-DONAU (September 21, 1901): I wasn't going to write any more press releases about you Evan, but since you asked me not to, I did.

BELGRAD-IN-SERBIEN (October 21, 1901): Where is Fybog? I don't know and he's not telling.

TIRANA-IN-ALBANIEN (November 21, 1901): After landing on the mysterious Isle of Fy-bog, the members of the Imperial Sunfish made plans for erecting a permanent haven. The first item of business was flying the Moronian flag over the island. Since no one had thought to bring along a flag, a clean bedsheet was used.

WIEN-AN-DER-DONAU (Anytime is My Time): To the author of "De Goods were snatched from L'homme ennuie's hideout...Le Fer": I see no reason for you to hide your press re-leases in your own publication, Surely they were nothing to offend John Boardman, and if they weren't good, at least they were amusing. Come out into the open where, who-ever you are, and face your public, who is waiting eagerly with open jaws.

GENEVA, SWITZ.: This game is generally getting to be known as the nut-game. People (continued on p. 47).

73.2 b - PRESS RELEASES (continued from p. 34)

BRESLAU (April Fools' Day, 1937): It was incorrectly speculated yesterday that a small, but non-violently vicious group of pachyderms staged a riot outside the offices of the Augsburg Quibbler. (Some may remember the day when the Quibbler was called the Ulm Britain-Smasher, and was solely a propaganda journal). The editor-in-chief, Porky MacDammit, called the riot squad, but he was out to lunch. When the crowd swelled to 5 people (the official estimates do not take into account the 500,001 chihuahuas that were there), Mr. MacDammit came out on his balcony and said to the crowd, "I'm sure you're all wondering why I called you here today."

Mr. MacDammit's funeral will be held Thursday at the Church of England's main branch office at Wurttemberg.

WINSTON-SALEM, NORTH CAROLINA via Parliament, via Barnberg (March Forth, 1937): It was reported today that the Duke of Marlboro rides a Camel when he trims his Hedges. He also has a True adVantage over the Viceroy of Doral, who shoots a Winchester, according to his aide-de-camp Benson Lorrillard.

LINDENHEARSE, N. J. (A. M., New York): "The Hindenburgh is coming into the docking station. The ropes are being lowered - No! NO, it can't be!! It's happening! NO! I don't believe it! It's! NOOOO! Uhh! I think I'm going to throw up! It's terrible!! I've - never seen anything like it before! It's a disaster! The captain is PICKING HIS NOSE -

BAVARIAN WOODS (Last of the month): In conjunction with the Bavarian paper industry, I, Field Marshall Natur L. Lee, am hereby announcing my intention of making this issue Twice as long as planned.

BROOKLYN (URRP): Mutinus Nightstand, whose publishing empire includes the United Rabble Rousing Press, denied that his activities were causing extensive deforestation in Germany.

"All publications of URRP," he told representatives of the Sahara Club, the Ecological Liberation Front, the Society for Creative Anachronism, and Society to Cancel the Agricultural Revolution, "are printed on recycled Ulstermen."

BERLIN: FREE THE DONIA 58.

DEUTSCHLAND (September 1, 1937): The British government wishes to announce the release of twenty-five hundred rare Saber-Tooth Neigers into the British sector of Germany. They were released in order to hunt down the notorious Count Alexis von Katzoff, a Polack. A exits from Germany have been blocked.

DEUTSCHLAND (September 2, 1937): Reports from the 1st Saber-Tooth Neiger Patrol indicate that Count Alexis is not to be found anywhere in Germany. He must have escaped into either Rhineland-Palatinate, Czechoslovakia, or off the board (the latter being the most likely).

FREE (March 25, S. R. 1519): Today great feasts were held here in Free, celebrating the unmaking of the Fart Lord (Katzoff)'s Thing of Flour, and the destruction of his SSgul in the wreck and ruin of Groblooey, otherwise known as Mount Boom.

MINAS TIRED (March 26, S. R. 1519, F. A. 98): A black-cloaked visitor showed himself on the eighth level of Minas Tired today, hungover from last night's festivities. When the Quing come out to meet him, he revealed himself as the Fart Lord, himself.

Suddenly, out of the Houses of Hurting, the only hospital in the city, ran three massive Saber-Tooth Neigers. They ran immediately for His Smelliness, chasing him all the way to Hard-On, the land in the south. There he hid in the asshole of an Oliphaunt and simultaneously discovered the source of the Bessarabian ICBF's. He was blown, and I use the term loosely, back to Minas Tired, right into the gaping jaws of...

CORFU (Armistice Day!): Yes, it's true, World War 1½ has stopped (at least temporarily). Such a let up in what was formerly such a massive military affair, has not been seen since the Fall of 1935. The reason for the halt in activities is best explained by Emperor Aurelio of the Septinsular Empire. "We have no idea what's going on," he said. It seems that all news of the war reaches the combatants a year after the events actually occur, instead of the usual six months. Emperor Aurelio requests that he be sent a copy of GRAUSTARK #289, so he can have a refresher course on the war. Copies are also expected in Kùln in the Kingdom of the Two Sissies, Dulcigno in Moronia, Kishinev in Bessarabia, Tiflis in Trans-Caucasia, and Rhodes, wherever that is.

LEIPZIG INSTITUTE OF ANTI-SOCIAL SCIENCE (Purple Day, USA): King Katzoff, please get off my toe! Talk about anti-social - foomph. A further note: Germany is my country now, so please write your press from elsewhere.

ROOT BAY (5th of Walking Daniel): Seeing as General George G. Social-Eyes refuses to invite his 36-24-36, blonde-haired, sexy, beautiful, big-titted, 19-year-old daughter to the inspection of his troops, Colonel A. A. Nofi, of the 1st British Saber-Tooth Neiger Patrol (who is hopefully out of the country by now), wishes to invite her to an inspection of his own.

RHODES (SB&B): Any rumors that Queen Melanie of the Dodecanese Islands is the daughter of General George G. Social-Eyes are entirely false. Her majesty is a brunette.

PUBIC ANNOUNCEMENT (Berlin): In accordance with Section 82617A, Byzan 14, File 67, Paragraph 63J, Sub-paragraph 8 $\frac{1}{2}$, Evan Jones cannot reach puberty.

KIEL-OVER (Old Years Day): The combined armed forces of the Berlin Underground, Ulm, Rhineland, Czechoslovakia, and 16 PFs worth of Austria today announced the mobilization of all dormant forces for an all-out attack on Israel. In charge of the forces will be: Major O Egomatic Repairs, first and second IPF (Inter-planetary part) platoons, P Vicious Private Parts, in charge of the mascots, Generals Motors, Electric, E Amphorcus and Telephone, The so-called joint-smoking chiefs of Falstaff, H Newfoundland Seaman Sperm, in charge of the row-boat squads, Sergeant Locks, in A Always control of the 1st, 7th, 9th, and 183th swizzle-stick divisions, T Tapping Corporal Punishment controlling the K-9 corps, Colonel Corn in charge I Incense of supply (in other words, bringing up the Kentucky Fried Chicken O Over from the rear), Warrant Officer Arrest, in control of the 2 broken, N Nuts down, 4-F-rated, B-17, Flying castles, and Commander R. Mur, the tank commandant. The main headquarters For the invasion will be at Piyar Square, in sunny, beautiful, bombed-out, downtown Augsburg.

BERLIN (Sunday, May Or May Not, 1937): Mr. Redmond Simonsays, of Lung Beach, Cauliflower, will be married to Miss Pelled on the above-mentioned date. Unless your name is Evan Jones, your presence would be appreciated.

SEAGULL-ON-THE-OCEAN, KIEL CANAL, WESTERN LOCKS (10 mm. of barbs, 1937): Samantha Pellet, a poor peasant girl, was found dead in her room today by her father, who immediately phoned the police. The police suspected foul play, but when the father, who weighs 400 pounds, and stands 6' 11", calmly, with a butcher knife in his hand, asked the police to leave, they decided not to press the case, explaining, "Maybe some clues will turn up in a couple of years."

BERLIN IN-THE-GROUND (Any day of the week and twice on Sundays): Evan Jones, two-time loser and any-time asshole, was asked today what he would like to be when he grew up. The answer which could be got out of him was, "Which way did 'e go? Which way did 'e go?" E. J., or as his friends call him, F. Y., then got moody and went to bed. His mother awakened him because the odor emanating from his wet bed-sheets was too much.

BROOKLYN (URRP): The Bureau of Usually Reliable Sources, International Travelers, and Intelligence Spokesmen (BURSITIS) today issued through the usual anonymous source a denial of the rumor that Evan Jones is a figment of the imagination of Bangs Leslie Tapscott. In a related development, the United Rabble-Rousing Press offered Jones space for equal time to reply to accusations emanating from British-occupied Germany.

BERLIN OVERGROUND (13/13/37): Nutius A. Fruitcake, a spokesman for the International World Universal Order of Pizzamakers #17,777, today commented on the recent world-wide shortage of pizza crusts. "We just weren't making enough dough."

BERLIN: FREEDONIA is alive and well and staying in a resort hotel in the Catskills.

BROOKLYN (URRP): "Catskill Mountains? I knew that Catskill Mice, but this is ridiculous!"

PRAGUE (Ahh, who cares about these fucking dates anyway): The minor Un-Annexed Allies (or Axis, depending on your news) of Rhineland, Czechoslovakia, and possibly Austria hereby and do dutifully declare a press release war on The Annexed Allies of Flanders-Wallonia, Rhineland-Palatinate, Bessarabia, The world-famous Trans-Caucasia, the Septinsular Republic, and the Dodecanese Islands, not to mention several others, like, France, Germany, Russia, Monteneggro, and the great Wall of China. Mobilization is expected.

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ANKARA (HAINNA): "Ordinarily it would be easy explaining why a fleet was launched into the Black Sea from Ankara. We will leave it to the diplomats of the Sultan to try to explain it. It requires much cunning to explain how it was done, however. Students of geography may recall that Ankara is nice and cozy on the Anatolian Plateau. We switch now to Ahab the Arab, Admiral of the Fleet. Take it away, Eric."

"Thank you David. With me is Ahab the Arab, sometimes called Stumpy by his friends."

"Aarrh. Have ye seen the white whale?"

"Uh, no. Mr. Ahab, before we ask how the fleet was launched, could we ask you where you got your Moby Dick obsession?"

"Aarrh. Well, when I paid a visit on the pleasure pits of Batum and didn't take the usual precaution, I came back with Moby Dick, not to mention Moby..."

"Ah yes, I see. Ahem. Admiral, could you explain --"

ZAP

"By Klam's fist Zuthag! We halted this just in time. Another second and the secret of the Ligious Preamble would have been revealed by that bumbling fool Ahab. It is good that he at least had the wits to cast the Spell of Temporal Stasis. We must now try to extricate him from his idiotic blundering. The secret of the Ankara fleet must not be revealed to mere humans."

"Perhaps, my Norn, if we tried to drain the minds of humans of any knowledge of this Affair?"

"Excellent. Hit the temporal strata where Wrinkley asks about the fleet and after Ahab makes his joke about Moby Dick. I think it's funny."

"My Norn, I have engaged the mind erasure tapes for the designated temporal strata."

"Engage."

ZAP

A: "Boy dahway Glenn Miller played."

ER: "Songs that made the Hit Parade!"

A: "Guy's like us we had it made,"

A&E: "Those were the daaaays!"

ZAP

"Good enough. Reengage the temporal continuum."

ZAP

"...Moby Dick, not to mention Moby..."

"Hey that's funny, back to you David."

"And good night from HAINNA."

WOODMERE, L. I.: As I sit here, reading the myriad letters from my fellow players, I realize the power that these press releases give me. Take, for example, this letter from Turkey:

"If you do not attack me, I will agree to have no more than three supply centers at any given moment. Since I look forward to eventually controlling Gibraltar, you can take Con. and Ank. Who needs them anyway? They're not as good as having you refrain from writing press about me."

Others echo this. Of all the nations, only England and France have not offered us their home supply centers, and they have offered me all of Africa and Austrasia.

So watch it, players, this vorpal pen converts into a dangerous weapon. My slashing wit will make you retreat into catatonia. Notice how in 1971EC Russia gave me Moscow to stop the press releases about him. Sit there and quake, and wait for the hand upon the shoulder.

ANKARA (Sept. 1, 1901, Thoroughly Unreliable Message Service): The wit of the Vice-Sultan Aba Ababa was once more apparent. While the Turkish Senate was debating the General Appropriations bill, the following exchanges occurred:

Germoudi-Ben Dover: "What this country needs is courses in flower-arranging for the Bedouin!"

Mahmoud Ali Tys: "What this country needs is a deodorant for camel turds!"

GBD: "What this country needs..."

Aba Ababa: "...is a good five dinar cigar."

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pose but invalid for another purpose. Another example:

FRANCE: A Ruh-Mun, A Bur & A Kie S A Ruh-Mun.

GERMANY: A Mun-Ruh; A Ber S ITALIAN A Boh-Mun.

ITALY: A Boh-Mun; A Tyr & A Sil S A Boh-Mun.

France still stands off Italy because they are moving with equal force since the support of A Ber is negated because it would result in dislodging its own unit.

GILBERT NEIGER: I wish to correct what I consider a serious flaw in your 'roll-your-own' variant of Origins. This flaw is the concept of negative objectives. In the over-the-board game of this printed in FREEDONIA #57 as well as the national objectives charts printed for 73.6x also in that issue, players selecting negative national objectives get some 'free' points. This is ridiculous. The closest to this in the given scenarios is the USA role in Aff-FB, which is also ridiculous. Sooner or later, the players will catch on and everyone will put negative objectives. I feel I have developed at least one solution which will make this game a little more realistic and balanced.

When the game is announced, the players are asked to submit preference charts, only players desiring positive objectives should send them in for the deadline. The Gamesmaster will then print, without naming countries or point values, whether or not someone wants a 'U' or a 'C' in each area. Then, players wanting negative objectives must send in these for the next deadline, and each negative objective must have a positive objective opposite it. I'm not sure how well this would work, and I would appreciate it if it were playtested sometime.

Notice, that now negative objectives would no longer be so desirable, but weak countries, especially the USA, would still want to have negative objectives (which happens three out of four times when the USA has historical allocations.)

I think that there must be other ways to remedy this situation, and I would like to see further solutions.

((I am also unsatisfied with the "Roll-Your-Own" version, and for much the same reasons. I had thought that players might send in their own ideas on what the various powers should have taken as their objectives. Instead, we have in the 73.6x chart the USA trying to control such inappropriate places as the Baltic States and Rumania, while Russia utterly ignores the Baltic States and Poland, and Germany ignores these countries and Czechoslovakia! It is for this reason that, when 73.6x ends, I am going to give its participants a free entry each in another, more conventional version of Origins.))

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HAGENAU (The 61st minute of the 25th hour of the 8th day of the 53rd week of the Year of Our Lord, One Thousand, Nine Hundred and Thirty Seven. Whew!): The French Occupation Force in Alsace-Lorraine reportedly spotted a German Intruder Company violating the border. The French linked arms to form a barricade, which almost disintegrated because they all started kissing each other. However, the blockade held, and, while the German Intruder Company was retreating, the British Occupation Force came to drive them out of Germany. After the French and British pushed the Germans back and forth for a while, the Kraut Intruder Scarecrows, as they are now called, were doomed to limbo. They will be there till the French and British try to resolve their differences.

SONG SUNG BLUE, CHINA (This time till Next time): The Chinese government today joined the Minor Un-Annexed Allies (Inc.) In declaring war on every-god-damn-body in sight.

LOS ANGELES, CALIF. (General Latvian & Estonian Equestrian Press): This is the city, 50 yrs. from now, when quotas have become a way of life and the pseudo-liberals have had their way.

A young Chicano in prison turns to his neighbor, a black. "I'm here because they forced me to take a Chicano lawyer who couldn't pass the bar exam," he says. "Lucky you - you get to leave."

"Lucky?" snorts the other, a black man. "I have to have an operation. I'm getting a black surgeon - one of those who couldn't qualify for med school."

The two shake their heads glumly. They turn to the third man in the cell, a well-dressed white. "How'd you get here?" they ask.

"Problems. I couldn't pay my lawyer or doctor."

"Oh?"

"Yes. You see, I'm Jewish..."

SAN FRANCISCO (GLEEP): May the day soon come when men are all judged on merit, and we hire and fire without bigotry or fear of being thought one.

NEW HAVEN (GLEEP): GLEEP has learned on a new West German plan to turn Dachau (the famous Nazi concentration camp) into a museum. Won't it be nice to view souvenirs of atrocities, in a clinical, non-emotional way? We suggest the Dow Chemical Company follow this example and set up an exhibit of the effects of napalm.

PS: The new movie The Last Days of Hitler plays to packed houses in West Germany with crowds cheering each appearance of the madman.

AFTERFRUCHT, GERMANY (URRP): As he left a movie theater in this typical German town, typical German citizen Erhard Schmuck was asked why he enjoyed The Last Days of Hitler.

"Beauss it schaus dot unser seeliger Adolf vas right after all," he said.

"Could you explain, please?"

"Ja. In hiss time vas a lodt of Jews und Slavs und other Untermenschen trying to be chust as same as Germans, mit full legal rights und entry to der professions und so weiter. But der Führer pudt a shtop to all dot nonsense. Now in Amerika it giffs der same sort of troubles. Vunce more die Untermenschen is vanting into goodt chobs."

"Then you think that America faces the same problems that Germany did then?"

"Ja. But, choost like us, you vill find dot half measures iss nodd enough. First ve banned dem from der professions, und kept dem outt of der colleges, oder drove dem outt of der Vaterland. Budt eventually - ach, you vill findt outt vot comes next."

"How do you believe that these jobs should be filled?"

"By merit. Aber naturally, ve Germans gedt to decide vot 'merit' iss."

WASHINGTON (GLEEP): Let us remember-

the Jews, oppressed in the Soviet Union.

the Volga-Germans, a people totally deported from their homeland by Stalin and kept in deportation by the current Soviet regime.

the Crimean-Tartars, also deported by Stalin and oppressed by Brezhnev for daring to demand the return of their homeland.

JOKESTER (LAUGH): As he opened the kitchen cabinet, he said, "Dis muss be de plates."

DEUTSCHLAND (Now, If Not Always): Shocking rumors have swept through this, the British sector of Germany. It seems that an entire Saber-Tooth Neiger patrol (the 1st) has disappeared from Germany. Searches were made in Rhineland-Palatinate as well Bohemia Royale, plus an inquiry was made in Memel. There is not even a hint of where it is.

No sign of Count Alexis von Katzoff has been found either.

MINAS MURDER (April 10, S. R. 1519, F. A. 98): Contrary to popular belief, Katzoff has escaped once more! It looked as if the jig was up back in Minas Tired, but the stench from Adz-Katz's foul body drove away (only temporarily) all the Saber-Tooth Neigers. He took this opportunity to flee to his old citadal in Minas Murder, the tower of death. But even here, he was not safe. Just around the bend he heard some growling, and fled to his old hellhole in Burp-Dur. Unfortunately, the growling was that of his old buddy before his downfall, Ungoliant. In Burp-Dur he became so nervous that he fled from Liddle Earth.

DEUTSCHLAND (NINA): While rambling around the ruined estate of Katzoff, Janitor Ben found his old master, Count Alexis.

"Master, you had best leave this place; they have Saber-Teeth."

"I know that, you fool; when were they last here?"

"I have not seen them, but I have first detected their odor two days ago."

"Did any British come by?"

"Yes, some colonel with a Wop accent come by, asking us to shut down 'this damn sewer'."

"It's just as well; I plan to leave this place forever. It is too dangerous."

"Oh, master, take me with you. I'll have no way to live."

"The British will take care of you. Besides, you wouldn't like Liddle Earth."

"The British a cruel people; they are too fair."

"No, you cannot come; the sewsr would not admit you."

"You could make it admit me; but what will you do about this?"

"What --" started the Count, but Ben came at him with a long, sharp plunger. Alexis dived into The Sewer and disappeared. Ben fell onto the sewer, but it would not admit him and his plunger broke forever.

BUMBAR (April 15, F. A. 98): A few Korsars marchsd thru the city here today at the news of the return of the Fart Lord. As if by magic, Adz-Katz appeared out of nowhere in the Hsard-Korsar's palace, with a large suction-cup stuck to his behind. The Korsars were overjoyed at seeing their old tyrant, and not only that, but safe from his wrath.

"I am here now, forever," he said.

"Hurrah!" shouted a Korsar or two.

"I am glad I have such firm support; we are going to attack Bombor."

"Hurrah!" shouted a Korsar or two.

"I suggest we place fifteen PFs in Bombor and go for the 'C'; five each in Hohum and Hoardor and pick up a couple of 'U's. That'll give us twenty points."

"Hurrah?" shouted a bewildered Korsar or two.

BURP-DUR (April 16, S. R. 1519, F. A. 98): Adz-Katz arrived here tonite, with a roar of welcome from his formerly-dead SSgul.

"With all the keepers gone over the sea, we can easily take over all of Liddle Earth!" he told them.

"And you," he said to the large tapeworm in the corner, "you, Ungoliant, shall have the Intestine of Whoria for your very own."

There were greedy slurps from all present.

"But how can you do it without your Thing of Flour?" asked the Bitch-King, the Lord of the SSgul.

"Ah, but you forget," said Adz-Katz. And he did.

RHINE RIVER, ALL BANKS (June-bug day): In protest over the enemy occupation here, the Rhine river has dried up. This feat was accomplished by asking the United Statss Army Corps of Engineers to have a picnic on the northern bank of the Rhine. The ACE, on finding there was no north bank, immediately dammed up the river while digging East-West canals. The ACE then sat down to enjoy their picnic.

HIRSCHBERG (Eastern Substandard Time): It is a miracle that this press release was ever printed at all. The handwriting on the envelope was lousy, the handwriting on this press release stunk, the envelope wasn't sealed, the side was torn open, I said Boardman lived in Brookhaven, N. M., and the fact that I only had a 3¢ stamp on it didn't help much. Ahhh, the miracles that the Post Office performs. Had I put the right address on, they probably would have sent it to Outer Mongolia. Now what was I going to say?...Oh, my pen is running out of ink.

BAVARIA (IRRP): The International Rabble Rousers Press, rival to the United Rabble Rousers ((sic)) Press, today announced that the German government had publicly apologized to the Austrian government for trying to take over their country last year. This of course is a lie, since the German government "don't apologize to no-one, nohow", a high German official said today. After the official stopped smoking marijuana, the IRRP managed to get an interview with him.

IRRP: "Is it true that you apologized to the Austrian government today?"

HO: "Throw this man in jail."

GUESS THE MYSTERY LOCATION (and you will win Raymond Heuer ((free leash included))) : Two masked bandits today held up and robbed the Twenty Eighth National Bank of Omaha, getting away with 37 Silver dollars. The bandits were identified however as Rafi Oli and Pete Zafie, both of La Sagna, Italy (hint, hint), due to the fact that they wore the masks over their knee-caps.

CAPE CASH ON DELIVERY (Mosquito Season): "Thin tongue is pretty good," said Charlie, who had made a visit to the local delicatessen. "The muscles aren't bad either," said Susan, a sea-food fancier. "I'm going to try the fset," said Charlie, a pork fancier. "Oh, let's try the brain." "No," said Charlie, "let's have the ribs instead." "Should we give the dog a bone," asked Susan. "Sure, and try the liver," said Charlie, "it's

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Please check page 793, section 87, line 8927 in our contract. You will find that such a disappearance concludes our contract.

AZAR, POLLUTIDAR (URRP): Koarsar's greatest woman reporter, Dolores de la Chocha, today returned from the realm of the Azarian cannibals with the latest news about Pollutidar's war against the noisy nations of the outer crust. The Koarsar Kurrier sent her there after losing three male reporters. Women, it seems, stand a better chance of getting back from this land of man-eating giants alive.

Greeting her, chief editor Peerri Blanco expressed his pleasure at her safe return. "We thought you might have been eaten," he said.

"Well, yes and no," she replied laconically.

Ms. de la Chocha's story reports that Azarian cuisine is changing in response to developments in the war with the Outer Crust. Such old favorites as Roast Turk, Parisiens a la Parisienne, Hungarian Goulash, and Wiener Schnitzel are no longer to be seen. Marinari Marinara and Russ Kebabs, recently imported in great quantities, are also losing favor. But the Azarians are showing a great interest in certain new recipes now being circulated among them: Toasted English, Irish Stew, Welsh Rarebit, Scotch on the Rocks, Sauerkrauten, Thüringer Sausage, Sliced Münster, Bavarian Cream Pie, Saarlöin Steak, Hamburgers, Frankfurters, Braunschweiger, and, from eastern Germany, shredded Red cabbage.

ZOOLAND (BOAST): The hoax is up Lipton. I now know that you know my press before you write yours! John lets you read it, That is why you had A song the same time I did, And that is why you have been writing better press than I!

BROOKLYN (URRP): A report from BURSITIS seemed to indicate that Herb Barents would make a state visit to New York City this summer. However, travel plans are still undetermined. "We don't know," said the usual anonymous BURSITIS spokesman, "whether he is going to fly, or whether he will take a plane."

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good." "Let me try a breast," said Susan. "Okay, and hand me a leg, will you." "Oh, I just love chocolate-covered ants," sighed Susan. And with that, our two gourmets finish up their aunt, and go back to the Brazilian jungle where they came from.

KIEL (The 5th): A new law was recently passed in the land of Varice, outlawing vanity. This should put an end to the Varicose vein.

LAUNDRYTON (June 1972): Pres. Fixin' today announced that the Watergate incident didn't exist. Unfortunately, his timing is off. G. Gordon Shitty plus killing his mother-in-law. has just confessed to everything, O Will P A

LAUNDRYTON (July 1972): In a follow-up speech to his disaster of last month, Pres. Fixin' today announced that G. Gordon Shitty does not exist. Of course, this comes after G. Gordon's statement that in addition to bugging Watergate, he bugged another favorite, the White House, influencing Pres. Fixin's brain waves with what he called Extra-Sensory Deception. It was announced later in the day that Pres. Fixin' had decided to take a 3-month vacation at his northern retreat in Dilute, Minn. T Get I Aides O Trial N Erased

GIRLS - Call MO 2-3950 and ask for Dreamboat.

SEVEN SEAS (Wedding Day): It was mistakenly leaked out today that Charles Dickens has written a new book called A Tail of Two Cities, in which Gerund Cruncher chases after the gorilla his dreams.

THOUSAND ISLANDS (V-J Day): Dr. Gilbert N. Pancreas, son of the world famous Dr. John B. Pancreas, of Isle of Langerhans fame, today announced his, and the islands, location. In a burst of excitement at a press conference at New York's Americom Hotel, he disclosed that the Isles of Langerhans have been living with the Dodecanese Islands, hidden among the Thousand Islands! After the news conference, Dr. Pancreas mysteriously disappeared and was not available for questioning.

SALAD DRESSING (1st Friday in October): The Tissue Industry of Transylvania (TIT)

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do not hesitate to pick up a phone, when they would normally not write a letter. For some reason this encourages lunacy from at least one of the players. Someone has been making "Beware of..." phone calls. On top of that, someone has also written letters to some of the players in Italian. And lastly someone, afraid to submit them, has printed their own press releases. There was nothing strange about these press releases except, where they were printed. BUT, we all know that writing press after one has seen the moves, is cheating. Personally, I suspect England, and so do some other players. By the time the game's over, we're all bound to be crazy.

4. SHERWOOD FOREST FORECAST, LATE Knoll Edition, August 17, 1901

SHERIFF OF NOTTINGHAM ARRESTS 60,000 FRENCH NATIONALS!!

In a singular act of courage, our esteemed sheriff impounded the entire French navy last night. Alone, the constable rowed to a point several miles south of the Portland Bill, and in words certain to be remembered in the annals of British history, shouted, after, of course, having whistled a brief refrain from the regimental song of the Royal Scots Greys (his old regiment), "All right m' laddies, y're all under arrest!"

We've no reason to doubt the accuracy of this story, coming as did from the landing party representing the French admiral, who has generously offered to return our hero, for the sum of £50,000 sterling, and the secession of approximately one-third of our county to France.

2a. His Majesty's Official Gazette: November 14, 1901

Subject: Carbon steel bars, 5/16" thick, imported from France - Finding of Dumping.

His Majesty's Commission on the Tariff has determined that an industry in the Crown Colony of the Falkland Islands is being injured by reason of the importation of carbon steel bars from France, sold at less than fair value within the meaning of the Royal Anti-Dumping Act of 1821.

signed: Snyderleigh Whynplash
Chief Commissioner
H. M. Customs and Excise

3a. Raynaud Weekly Commodity Summary, December 1, 1901

...FORZEN FALCON BELLY FUTURES PLUMMET!!...

1a. "Last Tango, contd."

...These last few weeks had not been easy for Lady Smythe. She had so looked forward to the vacation in the Balkans with their daughter, yet pressing affairs of business had always seemed to intervene at the most inopportune times. Ironically, it was the complete collapse of the Brigadier's frozen falcon belly futures which finally persuaded him that a respite would be appropriate. And so, the entourage consisting of Brigadier Falstaff Smythe, Lady Smythe, their Indian servant Tonto Bhamre, and several other attendants entrained for Serbia.

Elizabeth had told Voyslav of her parent's need for rest and relaxation, and he suggested that she surprise them by presenting them with a gift certificate from Ion Touphechitch's Ecole de Haute Danse at Junior High School 158 at Shabatz. Elizabeth thought this to be an excellent idea, and proceeded to Shabatz, on the Saturday preceding the arrival of her parents, to purchase the gift.

"Did you carry out your instructions, Voyslav?"

"Yes, Ion!" replied the frightened boy...

QUEENS (April 30): Most of the press in this issue was not released; it escaped.

MORONIA (31 September): King Evan I (and hopefully the last) today announced his intended marriage to Princess Herb from the mysterious Isle of Fybog, a small island in the Barents Sea. The Princess will be crowned Queen the day before the wedding. The marriage is scheduled to take place in late April.

MORONIA (Late April): The entire country, with the possible exception of Prince Spiros El Grecos, was today disheartened by the tragedy which occurred at King Evan I's wedding.
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would like to gratefully acknowledge the influence the snotty kids of Transylvania had in purchase Blood-Drinker Tissues.

PEMBLE BITCH, via STONEHENGE, via ROCKS OF GIBRALTAR, via SLIPPERY ROCK, ARKANSAS, over the BOULDER DAM, and straight to GUBEN (8 Bells): We will not excuse our lack of being able to write press releases by saying the by-line was too long. We will let you read our press releases and make up your own mind.

INTERNATIONAL DATE LINE (-11 hours): Peter Karp, editor-in-chief of the weekly newspaper North Sea News, today announced that he will no longer accept a government subsidy. This is in accordance with the fact that the super-powers of the world (Flanders-Wallonia, Rhineland-Palatinate, Czechoslovakia, and the Berlin Underground, etc.) are lining up in the North sea to stage the greatest naval battle ever. The winning nation will get exclusive belly-button rights throughout the world.

HITHERVILLE (Jan. 18, 1937): With the ravages of VD sweeping this rural hamlet, Lord Buzzoff III, the local prime minister (and fix-it man) announced that the "mark of sorrow" had killed 37 persons and was driving him up the wall.

(Are you a perceiver, deceiver, or receiver? If you are any, or any combination, do not read any more of this press release. Stop now; cease; desist, because, all who read this press release die. (Well, I warned you not to read it.))

TORNADOSVILLE, AUSTRIA (Columbus Day, "Hail the wops"): In accordance with the special instructions given to the gamesmaster, this press release will not be published unless I get control of Austria this turn. (I see he decided to ignore the special instructions.)

BAVARIA, THE SUNSHINE PROVINCE (Selective Service Honor Guard Day): The occasion was so important, that the Queen of England himself was here today to welcome the returning diplomats (who were armed to the teeth, mind you) who managed to get political control of Germany during the Fall 1935 elections. Der Fuehrer himself has come out of hiding to announce that Germany will have its country back in the 1940 elections. The day was bright, the temperature hot, when all of a sudden, the crack of a rifle report was heard. "Sergeant Rifle reporting, sir." "Yes, what do you want?" grumbled Major Und R. Taking, chief in command of the Czechoslovakian 4th rat-poison battalion. "We're ready, sir." And with that, they tramp into the night, never to be seen again.

THE RUHR, WEST GERMANY, GERMANY, EUROPE, EASTERN HEMISPHERE, WORLD, MILKY WAY GALAXY, UNIVERSE (Blow Boy Day, Honor your Blow Boy, give him something to sink his teeth into): It was announced here today that the Germany Government, or whatever is left of it, is suing the English for a corridor linking Austria and Rhineland. "An united republic, even if it doesn't include home," a nine-year-old boy was rumored to say.

DEUTSCHLAND (NINA): In their relentless search for the Count, the British have gone to extremes to track him. They tried Saber-Tooth Neigers but they either disappeared or brought in old sewer-custodians. So, last week they released a troop of Dunc-Hounds.

Dunc-Hounds are specially trained in the Village to hunt down something wrong or evil. They have become so proficient that they can spot something bad even if it doesn't exist.

BUMBAR (May 5, F. A. 78): A fleet of Koarsars sailed out of Bumbar today to assault the southern coast of Bombar. According to reports from Minas Tired, the Tower of the Bored, Bombar is entirely unsuspecting as they are still bewildered by the reappearance there of Adz-Katz. The fleet consisted of a tugboat out of Warsaw, three ruined Trans-Caucasian row-boat squadrons and a remnant of the Imperial Sunfish Fleet.

BOHEMIA ROYALE (NINA): The entire troop of Dunc-Hounds escaped out of Deutschland today into Bohemia Royale. There was no sign of Count Alexis there, but the entire Katzoff household was picked up in a slum in Prague. A few of the Dunc-Hounds have entered Moronia via the Fridolin Pass, and are currently besieging the palace of King Evan I (and hopefully the last).

DEUTSCHLAND (NINA): The British Military Governor here has decided to end the search for Count Alexis von Katzoff.

"It seems we can't find him anywhere," said Lieutenant A. A. Nofi of the defunct 1st British Saber-Tooth Neiger Patrol. Nofi was demoted because of the great incompe-

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GEOGRAPHICAL DIRECTORY OF GRAUSTARK READERS

This directory contains the names and addresses (and telephone numbers where known) of all persons who presently receive GRAUSTARK, including former subscribers to FREEDONIA. Readers are listed numerically by ZIP codes so that players in a locality can get in touch with others for over-the-board games.

Following each player's name is the "Boardman Number" of his game or games, with the initial of his country if he is still an active player in it. Stand-by players are indicated by the letter "S" following the game number; no country initial or "S" means that the player has been eliminated from the game. If a player's subscription will run past the end of his game, the number of additional issues that he will receive is indicated by a number following a "+" sign. Paid subscribers not presently active in a game have after their names the number of the issue with which the subscription expires. "T" indicates a trade copy, and "C" a complimentary copy. "T*" indicates that there is some doubt as to whether this player is still publishing, and that the trade will cease with this issue unless it should turn out that I am mistaken on this matter.

All players in Origins games, and subscribers to FREEDONIA, will have their subscriptions to GRAUSTARK extended by an appropriate number of copies. Origins players who are not also playing Diplomacy have opposite their names the number of the issue in which that game will end, or such later issue as the unexpired balance of the subscription will warrant. Anyone who feels that an error has been made in crediting his GRAUSTARK subscription with an unexpired FREEDONIA subscription should write at once.

Since 197LEB ends in this issue, players in that game have their subscription terminations indicated accordingly. I expect that 197LEB will end in #291, and have indicated accordingly opposite the names of its players.

Following the list of US readers, Canadian readers are indicated from east to west, and then overseas readers alphabetically by country. Players who will shortly make summer changes of address are listed under both addresses, with the date of effective change. These data are accurate as of 5 May 1973.

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Persons with corrections to the above list should send them in as quickly as possible, and they will be published in the next issue on 2 June. It should particularly be noted that addresses in college towns are likely to be changed with the approaching end of the academic year. I would also like to have the postal codes of all British and Canadian readers who have not already sent in theirs.

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The Gamesmaster would like to thank Conrad von Metzke and John Leeder for their help with these address lists, and Ray Bowers for any corrections he can furnish from his sizable address list.

NEW BLOOD - III

The following list contains the names and addresses of war-gaming fans who have written in for information about GRAUSTARK, or who are active in the play-testing sessions at Simulations Publications Inc., and who have not yet subscribed to GRAUSTARK. Several of these people have asked about postal Diplomacy openings, and I am taking this opportunity to pass their names on to Gamesmasters who may have game openings, and who can contact them. This supplements the mailing lists given under this heading in #282 and #283, and brings it up to date of 5 May 1973. It is listed by ZIP code, as is the previous list, and for the same reasons. There is no duplication between these two mailing lists, or with the ones in #282 and #283.

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The Senate exploded in mirth. You see, he pronounced it dee-nar cee-gar, and, oh Hell, you had to be there.

BATUM (October 17, 1901, HAINNA): Fighting erupted along the Franscaucasian-Transcaucasian border, thus initiating the Franco-Tranco war, #89 in a series. Along with the usual ritual denunciation of Babylonian sympathies by King Pippin XV (Pippin the Pip, sometimes Pippin the Pimp) of Transcaucasia, was added the startling new charge of Russian complicity. "It was Turkey who set us up in business in 1598. Now it is our turn to take advantage of the cruel Russian stab and stab Transcaucasia at the same time. It's only right," explained Pippin the Pimp to general cries of approval.

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tence he showed by losing an entire Saber-Tooth Neiger patrol, which is downright impossible. When he begged for a second chance the High Command put in charge of the whole Dunc-Hound troop. With the escape of these into the British ally of Moronia, Nofi stands court-martial.

DUBLIN (December 25, 1937): There was a rip-roaring celebration here this Christmas in the Montenegrin capitol. The Montenegrin capitol-building is situated in a ghetto just outside Dublin. When asked for a statement, the new 1½-year-old King Elmo XXX said, "Goo goo, dada, ga-ga, get Evan." (Translated, of course.)

DEUTSCHLAND (What A Stab?): The armies of the Kingdom of the Two Sissies assaulted British positions in Deutschland today, seeking to gain a foothold on the east-bank. Before the British could react, the Annexed Allied Armies seized a good deal of Bavaria. The Sissians were aided by an army from Bohemia Royale, led by a troop of Dunc-Hounds. King Evan I (and hopefully the last) sent a small army by convoy from Dulcigno, but the entire convoy was sunk as it passed Dublin two years later.

The British were reinforced by an army coming in from Denmark as well the eight remaining British Saber-Tooth Neiger Patrols. They recaptured most of Bavaria, and are currently besieging Munich. As the army from Denmark passed Kiel they roused the populace, and the 1st Anglo-German militia company went into battle singing, "Deutschland, Deutschland, unter alles".

DUBLIN (WAS?): The Montenegrin government-in-exile here made further plans to invade and take back Montenegro. It was decided to invade by sea and the first plan was to decide upon a proper beachhead. It was decided to invade at Dulcigno, as the palace there is currently being besieged by a bunch of Dunc-Hounds. This is all part of the Grand Plot to throw the Annexed Allies back into the Oblivion from where they came.

BURP-DUR (June 15, FA 98): The Fart-Lord has released an announcement, proclaiming his new foreign policy. Bombor is now under his control, and Hohum has been pacified. He intends to overthrow all of the Mire with help of Ungoliant and the SSgul. Not only that, but he has reformed his Thing of Flour in OroBlooey and threatens to control all of Liddle Earth. A Very-Last Alliance has been made by some men and the few remaining Els of Liddle Earth to tear his only kingdom asunder. Leading this alliance is Sergeant A. A. Nofi, formerly leader of the first British Saber-Tooth Neiger Patrol.

LIVERPOOL (December 31, 1937): These last few press releases have been really bad.

haven't they?

BROOKLYN (URRP): Dai, daiyenu - dai, daiyenu - dai, daiysnu, daiyenu, dai-ye-nooo!

PARIS (Sept. 4, 1937, HAINNA): Henri le Twit today sent a personal message to the führer of Germany, Herr Jackoff. "Dear Sir or Madame: Since we are new to the world of Diplomacy (a little more than a year) we have not had the time to acquire bitter personal enemies. You have been tendered the first invitation. In the future, we will ask GM's to put us in a game together, make us neighbors, and ignore that area of the board for the rest of the game. Whajjah say, hey?"

BATUM (Oct. 10, 1937, CRABS): Citizens of this seaport of the Caucasian Masif were shocked (can't Carroll begin his press any other way? Apparently not) to have the war brought home to them. Franscaucasia today declared war on the Transcaucasian Federated Republics, initiating the 98th Franco-Tranco War, or FTW. The reasons appear to be shrouded in history.

Franscaucasia was founded in 1598 by a band of French crusaders led by Philip the Fool, Merovingian pretender to the throne. At a banquet held to commemorate the first time his son Charles the Chucklehead raped a nun, his followers started to discuss the Babylonian Captivity of the Papacy. Being a devout Catholic (his father had performed brilliantly at the St. Bartholomew's Day festivities) he immediately vowed a crusade against the Babylonians. He tried to back out the next day, but his son reminded him that he had sworn "by the balls of St. Simon Stylites", an oath no Merovingian would willingly break.

The present French king was more than willing to ship Philip's army to the Holy Land to get rid of him. He bribed the Sultan to let Philip and his army land at Acre and give him wrong directions.

A representative of the Kurds happened to be in Acre at the time recruiting mercenaries to avenge the Batum 23,001 (not to be confused with the Batum 43,697). Philip was easily bribed and Charles was convinced by the Kurdish leader, Bay Roum, that he would be fighting Babylonians. In reality, they were recruited to fight a rival band of Kurds, the Kurds of Wey, who had earlier exiled the "Batum 23,001" and "43,697".

The puzzling French tactics of running down their own infantry and charging through swamps and up hills so unnerved the Kurds of Wey that they fled the field, becoming in the tradition of the Caucasus Mts. the "Batum 38,921". They later became Transcaucasia.

Philip then reestablished the Merovingian dynasty, calling his kingdom "La France aux Caucusses", or in its Latinized name Franscaucasia. The present Franco-Tranco war is the 98th in a series. Legend has it that the winner of the 100th Franco-Tranco war will be more powerful than a locomotive and able to leap tall buildings with a single bound. A teenager om Smallville, USA is said to be interested in the job.

BATUM (Oct. 11, 1937, HAINNA): Stanley Polack told Clovis VII, King of Franscaucasia that he was not interested in filming the current war. He reminded him that he was still committed to the War of the Four and Two Sixths Plus Three Eighteenth Kingdoms. He indicated an interest in the 100th Franco-Tranco War, though.

NITTANY VALLEY (April 26, 1973): Reports that the origin of Franscaucasia was merely a John Boardman mis-type (or misinterpretation) of a John Carroll press release in 72.19d that should have read Transcaucasia were denied by W. Churchill, CRABS, HAINNA and the Lone Junker.

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ding ceremonies. First reports seem to indicate that while the already crowned Queen Herb was marching down the aisle, the wedding party was attacked by a band of Sabre-toothed Neigers, recently escaped from timeline 1973BB, whom as is their wont, went immediately for the King's throat. His lowness fought a terrific battle which ended with his near collapse from frustration and the Neiger's near collapse from hilarity. It is reported that the Sabre-tooth Neigers entered the country by riding captured Dodecanese Islands up to the sole Monteng-er - I mean Moronian port of Dulcigno. They escaped the Moronian Vampirial Guards by retreating through the little-known and much-feared Fridolin pass, believed to be part of the corridor to the Aegean Sea annexed to Wogastisburg-Schlampenbüttel by Emperor Fridolin in 1257, and as such, one of the few semi-known entrances to the Balkan Massif.

THE SIMULATION PAPERS (ADDENDUM)

VI - c (4 May 1973, consecutive placement)

"Spring 1935"

"Spring 1935"

"Fall 1935"

USA (Heuer): Bal 2.

FRANCE (Katzoff): Rhi 4. Als

BRITAIN (Boardman): Cze 4, Pol 4. Aus

RUSSIA (Jones): Bal 6. Bri

GERMANY (Schimel): Cze

Ger 3, Rhi 9. Fra

USA Fra Bri Rus Ger

Als

Aus

Bal 2 6

Bri

Cze 4

Fra

Ger 3

Ita

Pol 4

Rhi 4 9

Rum

Rus

USA

USA Fra Bri Rus Ger

Als

Aus

Bal 4 C

Bri

Cze 4

Fra

Ger 3

Ita

Pol 4

Rhi C

Rum

Rus

USA

"Fall 1935"

RUSSIA: Attacks USA in

Bal, 3:1. (3), D.

USA removes 2.

GERMANY: Attacks France

in Rhi, 2:1. (3), X.

Each side removes 4.

RUSSIA: Bal C.

GERMANY: Rhi C.

USA 19, Russia 5, Ger-

many 5, France 0,

Brit. n 0.

"Spring 1936"

"Fall 1936"

USA Fra Bri Rus Ger

Als 6

Aus

Bal C

Bri 4

Cze 9

Fra 2

Ger 1

Ita

Pol 4 5 5 18

Rhi C

Rum 3

Rus

USA

USA Fra Bri Rus Ger

Als C

Aus

Bal C

Bri 4

Cze U, 9

Fra 2

Ger 1

Ita

Pol 4 U, 5 5 18

Rhi C

Rum 3

Rus

USA

"Spring 1936"

USA: Pol 4.

FRANCE: Als 6, Fra 2.

BRITAIN: Bri 4, Cze 5,

Pol 1.

RUSSIA: Pol 5, Rum 3.

GERMANY: Pol 13.

"Fall 1936"

"Spring 1937"

"Fall 1937"

GERMANY: Attacks USA &

Britain in Pol, 2:1.

(6), no change.

FRANCE: Als C.

BRITAIN: Cze U, Pol U.

USA 19, Britain 5, Rus-

sia 5, Germany 5,

France 4.

USA Fra Bri Rus Ger

Als C

Aus 3

Bal C

Bri

Cze 3 U, 9

Fra 5 5

Ger 11

Ita

Pol 7 13 U, 5 14 36

Rhi C

Rum 3

Rus 1

USA

USA Fra Bri Rus Ger

Als C

Aus 3

Bal C

Bri

Cze 3 U, 9

Fra 5 U, 5

Ger U, 11

Ita

Pol C C

Rhi C

Rum 3

Rus 1

USA

"Spring 1937"

USA: Cze 3, Pol 3.

FRANCE: Fra 3, Pol 13.

BRITAIN: Fra 5, Ger, 11.

RUSSIA: Pol 9, Rus 1.

GERMANY: Aus 3, Pol 18.

"Fall 1937"

RUSSIA: Attacks USA in Pol, 2:1. (4), X. Each side removes 7.

GERMANY: Attacks France & Britain in Poland, 2:1. (1), D. France removes 13 and Britain removes 5.

BRITAIN: Fra U, Ger U; loses Pol U.

RUSSIA: Pol C.

GERMANY: Pol C.

Britain 11, USA 10, Russia 9, Germany 8, France 4.

"Spring 1938"

USA: Aus 3, Cze 5.

FRANCE: Aus 14, Rum 13.

BRITAIN: Aus 1, Bri 11, Ger 2.

RUSSIA: Ger 7, Rum 4, Rus 1.

GERMANY: Ger 6, Rum 18.

"Fall 1938"

FRANCE: Attacks Germany in Aus, 4:1. (6), X. Each side removes 23.

GERMANY: Attacks France in Rum, 1:1. (5), A. Germany removes 18.

FRANCE: Aus U, Rum U.

RUSSIA: Ger U.

Russia 15, Britain 11, USA 10, Germany 8, France 7.

"Spring 1939"

USA: Rum 5, USA 5.

FRANCE: Aus 7, Cze 11, Rum 5, Rus 15.

BRITAIN: Bri 2, Ger 5, Rus 9.

RUSSIA: Rum 3, Rus 11.

GERMANY: Fra 11, Rum 23.

"Spring 1939"

"Fall 1939"

RUSSIA: Attacks USA in Rum, 2:1. (3), X. Each side removes 5.

GERMANY: Attacks France in Rum, 1:1. (2), X. Each side removes 18.

FRANCE: Cze U, Rus U; loses Rum U.

BRITAIN: Rus U.

RUSSIA: Rum C.

GERMANY: Fra U, Rum C.

Russia 18, Britain 14, Germany 10, USA 8, France 8.

"Spring 1940"

USA: Fra 10, Rus 7.

FRANCE: Bri 14, Fra 15, Ita 5, Rus 5, USA 15.

BRITAIN: Fra 11, Ger 6, Ita 5, Rus 4, USA 5.

RUSSIA: Bri 10, Cze 9, Ger 10.

GERMANY: Bri 15, Ita 10, Rus 7.

"Spring 1938"

	USA	Fra	Bri	Rus	Ger
Als		C			
Aus	3	14	1		3
Bal				C	
Bri			11		
Cze	8		U,9		
Fra		2	U,5		
Ger			U,13	7	6
Ita					
Pol				6	C
Rhi					C
Rum		13		7	18
Rus				2	
USA					

"Fall 1938"

	USA	Fra	Bri	Rus	Ger
Als		C			
Aus	3	U,11	1		
Bal				C	
Bri			11		
Cze	8		U,9		
Fra		2	U,5		
Ger			U,13	U,7	6
Ita					
Pol				C	C
Rhi					C
Rum		U,13		7	
Rus				2	
USA					

"Fall 1939"

	USA	Fra	Bri	Rus	Ger
Als		C			
Aus	3	U,18	1		
Bal				C	
Bri			13		
Cze	8	U,11	U,9		
Fra			U,5		U,11
Ger			U,18	U,7	
Ita					
Pol				C	C
Rhi					C
Rum				C	C
Rus		U,15	U,9	13	
USA	5				

"Fall 1940"

"Spring 1940"

"Fall 1940"

FRANCE: Attacks Germany in	USA	Fra	Bri	Rus	Ger		USA	Fra	Bri	Rus	Ger
Fra, 1:1. (6), A. France Als		C				Als		C			
removes 15.	Aus	3	U,18	1		Aus	3	U,18	1		
FRANCE: Attacks Russia in	Bal			C		Bal				C	
Cze, 1:1. (5), A. France Bri		14		10.	15	Bri				U,11	
removes 11.	Cze	8	U,11	U,9	9	Cze	8		U,9	8,9	
FRANCE: Attacks Russia in	Fra	10	15	U,16		Fra	10		U,16		U,11
Bri, 1:1. (2), X. Each	Ger			U,24	U,17	Ger			U,24	U,17	
side removes 10.	Ita		5	5		Ita		U,5	U,5		U,10
GERMANY: Attacks France in	Pol				C	Pol				C	C
Ita, 2:1. (6), no change.	Rhi				C	Rhi					C
GERMANY: Attacks France in	Rum				C	Rum				C	C
Bri, 3:1. (5), X. Each	Rus	7	U,20	U,13		Rus	7	U,20	U,13		U,7
side removes 4.	USA		15	5		USA		U,15	U,5		

FRANCE: Ita U, USA U; loses Cze U.
 BRITAIN: Ita U, USA U.
 RUSSIA: Cze U.
 GERMANY: Bri U, Ita U, Rus U.

FINAL SCORE: Britain 22, Russia 21, Germany 15,
 France 11, USA 6.

This was a very lively game, chiefly characterized by rivalry between the Russian and French players, with Germany a more or less acquiescent ally of the former. Under these circumstances, the British ability to place strategic "U's" and come on strong at the end of the game was decisive by a small margin. France's attack on Russia in Britain in "1940" really decided the game; had this failed to expel the potential Russian "U", Britain would have had to resort to 1:1 attacks on Russia elsewhere on the board.

THE DIPLOMATIC POUCH

ERIC VERHEIDEN: Re Bob Lipton's comments on his adjudication problem in GRAUSTARK #288:

FRANCE: A Ruh-Mun; A Bur & A Kie S A Ruh-Mun.

GERMANY: A Mun-Ruh; A Ber S ITALIAN A Boh-Mun.

ITALY: A Boh-Mun; A Tyr S A Boh-Mun.

Lipton is incorrect when he states that no special mention is made of the situation where a country supports a foreign attack against one of its own units. Rule IX.3 of the 1971 Rulebook states quite clearly that such support may not be used to dislodge the country's unit, although it "may be valid for other purposes", i. e., blocking other attacks against the unit. This means for one thing that your adjudication above is quite correct. If a German A Silesia were also supporting the Italian advance, then this support would be valid as well, although only one German support would be usable altogether, since this is all that is needed to block the French attack.

It should be noted that a country may not block an attack against one of his own units by supporting it himself. Taking an example from an actual game, 1970C in Atlantis #61:

FRANCE (Beshara): F Tyr-Ion (dislodged); F Lyo S ENGLISH F Wes-Tyr

ENGLAND (Miller): F Wes-Tyr.

RUSSIA (Birsan): F Ion & F Nap S ENGLISH F Wes-Tyr.

The French support is valid but not usable since it is not needed to block an attack against F Tyr. However, since the English move has two valid Russian supports, it succeeds anyway, dislodging F Tyr.

Another question which occasionally comes up is whether or not a country can cut the support of one of its own units. Taking another example from an actual game, 1972AD in Arena #17:

RUSSIA (Menyhert): F Sev-Rum; A Rum S TURKISH A Bul-Ser.

The Gamesmaster in question, Edi Birsan, actually ruled that since the support being given was for a foreign move, then it was cut. However, this seems to me to be highly

dubious reasoning, since after all there is no way for a country to dislodge its own units and it follows that there would be no reason for a unit to "face a friendly attacker", which was the original explanation for the cutting of support.

RONALD E. MELTON: I have a suggestion for making your reports of moves more readable. It would take up more space I realize but it would greatly improve the looks and legibility by eliminating those stupid semi-colons.

ENGLAND (Birsan)

A Lon-Kie

F Hel & F Nth C A Lon-Kie

A Bur & A Ber S A Mun

A Mun S A Ber

F Pru & F Bot S F Liv

Etcetera.

((When space is at such a premium as it is in the usual issue of GRAUSTARK, semi-colons can be borne with.))

Who is Bangs Leslie Tapscott?

((Bangs Leslie Tapscott is the person under whose supervision GRAUSTARK is not published.))

What does GRAUSTARK mean, or does it?

((I have answered this question frequently in these pages. For information, see the entry "George Barr McCutcheon" in any good encyclopedia.))

For your Alternate History Series I have some more books. If the South Had Won the Civil War by McKinlay Kantor (I think). The premise of this book is based on a small Incident or rather a series of small incidents. The death of U. S. Grant and a Southern victory at Gettysburg brought about by the early occupation of those famous hillocks by Confederate forces.

This Alternate History differs from that of Bring the Jubilee, by being slightly more realistic. The South won independence only. West Virginia went with the North but Delaware and Maryland went with the South.

After the conflict was settled the question of States Rights came up in the Southern Congress and resulted in the Withdrawal of Texas from the Confederacy and the occupation of Oklahoma by Texican Forces.

The Southern states could hardly fight about this since they had already established the right of each state to secede and the North anxious for Texan beef and to weaken the South ceded Oklahoma to the Texans.

((This isn't convincing. The rebels, while defending the "right" of Virginia to secede from the Union, fought fiercely against the attempt of the mountain counties to secede from Virginia and form West Virginia.))

The North, impoverished by the war, failed to purchase Alaska.

The South fought the Spanish American War and won Cuba from Spain. Eventually, the island was admitted to the Confederacy.

In the 1880's slavery was abolished in Texas and the South, it was no longer profitable.

((This is also unrealistic. Slavery was alive and growing in the south in 1860; the rebels even sought to re-open the African slave trade. Slavery could not have died a natural death; it was murdered, to the applause of every decent human being.))

The southern capital was moved to Washington, renamed District of Dixie. And the North built a new capital near Columbus, Ohio.

The three parts of the country were quite naturally each others biggest customers and during the 20th century a movement for reunification grew up.

At the end of the book a Convention to consider Reunification was being held in Washington.

((In his review of Bring the Jubilee in GRAUSTARK #285, Bob Lipton dismissed Kantor's book, a judgment with which I am in agreement. And, as he concluded, any possibility of a rebel victory was highly unrealistic. For the reasons, see Fletcher Pratt's Ordeal by Fire. And by the way, the conflict was not between "north" and "south" but between "government" and "rebel". Southerners such as Admiral Farragut and General Thomas fought for their country, while Pemberton, who held Vicksburg for the rebels, was a Pennsylvanian. The rebellion was made for two and only two purposes, neither of them regional: the preservation of human slavery and the destruction of the United States of America. Maudlin romanticism should not be allowed to disguise these facts.))

I don't remember the author of The Indians Won, but the idea of it was that if the Indians had had some foreign assistance they could have established their right to the Western Plains and the Rockies. It would also have been necessary to have a leader capable of uniting all of the tribes against the US forces and such a person is supplied.

((Neolithic cultures - and such was that of all American Indians - don't lend themselves to such sophisticated, trans-tribal politics.))

House of Many Worlds ((by Sam Merwin, along with its sequel Three Faces of Time)) is a Wheels of If type story involving an American Napoleonic Empire.

Randall Garrett's alternate world of Too Many Magicians is based on Richard Plantagenet surviving his wounds to establish an Anglo-French Empire.

((It's a bit more than that. In his "Lord D'Arcy" stories, Garrett supposes that magic rather than science becomes the basis of a sophisticated technology.))

Keith Laumer has a series of stories about alternate worlds: Worlds of the Imperium, The Other Side of Time, etc. ((See GRAUSTARK #288 for a review of them.))

There is also A Transatlantic Tunnel, Hurrah by Harry Harrison (I think). What if the British had crushed the American Revolution?

Black in Time, by John Jakes, the death of the Prophet of Islam allows the Black Empire, centered around Timbuctoo, to dominate the world.

P. J. Farmer wrote a book but I can't recall the title. ((The Gate of Time)) It explores the history of a world in which there is no New World land mass. (Which oddly means no tobacco, potatoes, tomatoes, corn, horses, camels, or elephants, all of which originated on the American continents.) ((The earliest elephant fossils come from Egypt. Additionally, no America would mean no syphilis!))

Philip K. Dick wrote The Man in the High Castle, someone else wrote The Iron Heel ((Jack London has been forgotten??? But that wasn't Alternate History, it was Future History)) and Norman Spinrad wrote The Iron Dream which isn't an Alternate History exactly but a Sword and Sorcery Epic called Lords of the Swastika by the Adolf Hitler of another universe. A far cry from Mein Kampf. ((No, not really.))

...I read Robert Lipton's review column with great interest but why didn't he mention Laumer's other books in the "Imperium" series...

As to Bob's quibble on Laumer's explanation of the Probability Continua, I refuse to believe that Crosstime Travel is possible in a continua of Aleph-One loci, if such were possible you would have an infinite number of travelers arriving at one locus simultaneously. On the other hand in a continua of Aleph-Null loci (such as in House of Many Worlds) crosstime travel could exist between universes separated by a definite Quantum.

((A mathematical demonstration would be appreciated.))

...Have you read Larry Niven's dissection of the rationale of Crosstime stories set in a Probability Continua of Aleph-One Loci? You should, Bob. (See Vertex One)

((He did! You'll find it reviewed in GRAUSTARK #286.))

Now as to your quote from Francis J. Roberts, it's not money that accomplishes the impressive neatness of a military base, it's slave labor. The other points he makes are valid. ((GRAUSTARK #288, p. 12))

Have you ever read Heinlein's Starship Troopers? ((Yes, and I consider it an exercise in the theory and advocacy of mass murder.)) The passage I have in mind is where a history prof. asked the hero to name one war that didn't have an origin in economics. (The hero said the Crusades, he was wrong.) Think of the wars of American History.

((I am, and I find that all of them are traceable to economic causes with singular ease. A good book on this matter, which cuts through a lot of obfuscation created by poor historians, is Archibald Robertson's How to Read History.))

ANALYSES OF 1971EB

Two players, Edi Birsan (as the winner, England), and Ted Holcombe (as France), have replied to the Gamesmaster's request for an analysis of this game, completed after 12 game years in this issue.

BIRSAN: The Franco-English alliance that existed here and the fate that has befallen the French are typical of the operation of the myth of the English French alliance. That is, the course of this game is identical to the mystic belief held by some players that in any such alliance the English invariably attack the French after Germany is dealt with and when Russia is neutralized. Under such conditions, with the French usually committed in the South the English rip through the French as if they were not there.

What is contrary here is that the important factor in first the break up of the alliance and then the successful English Drive over the French was the incredible inability of Holcombe to maintain one enemy at a time. My attack of France came at the wrong time if such an attack was to be made; I was muscle bound with Fleets and in a poor position to build Armies let alone move on metropolitan France. Yet Ted's fury with the Italians and the Austrian forced him first to through everything west against me, stopping me and allowing the eastern powers to run up a build or two, and then he reversed himself and through everything against the east, stopping them but allowing me the one opening I needed to take over Western Europe.

But, right up to the last year the French could have had double revenge on both the east and the west by trying for a stalemate position of 17 units which would have worked. All that was needed was to have the French maintain their fleet in Tunis with support from the Ionian. The Italians could have been pulled into this vein of operations and the results would have been that I would be stuck at 17 centers and forced to agree to the draw. Once again, Ted's inability to maintain one set of enemies allowed him to hope to draw the game and he just barely survived.

All things considered I managed to be at the right places when the breaks came to to forge a consistent policy. Drakert played a very good game considering what he was up against and had the positions been reversed he might be writing the victors statement instead of me. Well, one down and only four more as England to go.

HOLCOMBE: Our Congratulations to Edi Le Brigand, the treacherous dog, for his petty victory. Let everyone note that England did not win this game, France gave it to him. Not that Brigand does not deserve his due - he contributed greatly to the diplomatic/military situation which deprived France of his options.

England and France started this game as allies. England was not prepared to live up to his original treaty with France to give France Berlin. So England stabbed France. France totally stopped England. A draw was available for the asking. Yet Austria-Hungary decided to conquer Russia. France was patient trying to arrange an Italy-Russia (1

unit)-France vs. Austria Hungary and England stalemate. Italy stabbed France and Austria-Hungary supported both that stab and English attacks on Munich. We had to decide - to continue to hold the line against England, a draw might arise or possibly France would be destroyed, or to seek revenge. Revenge against Austria-Hungary by letting England win, and revenge against Italy by defeating the louse on the field of battle. But the decision could not wait, as failure to exact revenge immediately would leave France too weak in the future to ever exact it. Of course a stalemate later was always possible, as England would need Tunis in addition to France. So I moved east. If Austria-Hungary and Italy had admitted the error of their ways and had given me stab-proof counters, they could have had their draw.

As for England, his treachery in lying to me even when I was powerless to hinder him is a sign of a sick mind. I knew him for what he was, he did not fool me.

1971EB - PRESS RELEASES

ROME: Dear King Brooks, do you see what your petty greed and treachery has wrought? Every inch of your precious territory is mine. I am revenged, foolish one.

PARIS: Alas the fall of this fine city to the treacherous English is lamented, but by this act shall all men know Birsan forever!

THE MINISTRY OF MISCELLANY

Charles Reinsel has been making a nuisance of himself again.

This chronic headache in the world of postal Diplomacy has just thrown Conrad von Metzke out of games in his publication, appropriately titled Big Brother. He has accompanied this act, for which there appears to be no rational justification, with a spate of invective against von Metzke. Fortunately, von Metzke is well able to take care of himself, and has fired back a counter-attack, dissecting the arguments Reinsel uses, and showing the man up as a vindictive fraud.

Veteran readers of GRAUSTARK are familiar with Reinsel's blitherings. Several years ago he took out after me because I am opposed to his beloved war. He even threatened to beat me up because I prefer peace. Naturally, it did not come to this; Hawks do not attack Doves at odds of less than ten to one unless the Dove in question is blind or crippled, which I am not.

This is why I was recently surprised to receive from him a copy of Big Brother which purports to be its 350th issue. (I don't believe this for a minute.) With this issue he is graciously offering to Walt Buchanan, Stan Wrobel, and myself the opportunity to reprint the moves in one of his current games. This is, of course, provided that "No other designation be given to game except Big Brother #16." The reason for this is that the "Boardman Numbers" are now being assigned by von Metzke.

This issue of GRAUSTARK has no fewer than 15 Diplomacy and Origins games in it. Though 3 of them end with this issue, I will have quite enough to print in future issues without re-publishing Reinsel's games.

Have you noticed, incidentally, how all the Hawks in postal Diplomacy are exhibiting symptoms of not playing with a full deck? For Maszar and Staples you need merely read their publications; for Walker I refer you to the voice of Dame Rumor; for Reinsel - ipse dixit.

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Games Research Inc., publishers of Diplomacy, will shortly move to a new address; see p. 49 for details. They have also raised the price of a set to \$8.95. The 1971 revision of the rulebook is available from them at \$1 a copy, or \$8 per dozen. Conference maps are 10 for 50¢, or 25 for \$1. Please order from them, not from me.